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ST. LOUIS THE WINNER.

She Captures the Republican Con-
vention of 1896.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Republican national convention will be held at St. Louis on June 18 next. That was the decision reached by the national committee assembled here yesterday after spirited balloting lasting two hours. The successive ballots, the first being informal, are shown as follows:

St. Louis	13	14	18	23	29
San Francisco	20	19	19	19	16
Pittsburgh	9	9	5	1	1
Chicago	8	8	9	9	4
New York	1				

The morrow was spent in hearing speeches in behalf of the contending cities, the doors being open to the various contesting delegations. This concluded, the committee held its afternoon session behind closed doors. An eager crowd choked up the corridors leading to the committee room, and awaited the announcement of results.

The first important question of the afternoon was the fixing of the date of the convention. The executive committee reported a resolution favoring June 16. This was amended by Committee Chairman Lannan, of Utah, in favor of Aug. 18. There was a sharp debate, and Mr. DeYoung, of California, finally proposed July as a compromise between June and August. The DeYoung and Lannan amendments were both defeated, and then, by a practically unanimous vote, the date was fixed at June 16.

Then came the main contest between the cities. There was much excitement as the ballots proceeded, the committeemen from the interested sections hurrying about and seeking to effect combinations. At the outset San Francisco secured one more than the number claimed from the first. The announcement of her lead was greeted with enthusiasm when it reached the outer corridors. The strength of St. Louis was somewhat greater than had been expected, while neither Pittsburgh nor Chicago made the showing anticipated.

St. Louis gained steadily on each ballot. San Francisco sought to meet this by drawing the votes of Chicago, but without avail. The first serious break occurred when David Martin, of Pennsylvania, led the Pittsburgh forces toward St. Louis. On the fourth and last formal ballot the San Francisco forces broke for the first time, Michigan, Wyoming and Connecticut going to St. Louis. That settled it, and gave St. Louis the convention. The choice was made unanimous on motion of Mr. DeYoung, of San Francisco.

On the announcement of the decisive ballot there was a rush for the St. Louis headquarters, where all the delegates from that city gathered with Missouri congressmen and politicians at large. There was a great handshaking and popping of corks for a few minutes, with occasional cheers, followed by speechmaking by both Republicans and Democrats.

Sold at Auction for Sixty Millions.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 11.—Edward King, of New York, acting for the reorganization committee, yesterday bid in the entire system of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad company, which was sold at public auction here under decree of the United States circuit court of Aug. 2 last. Sixty millions of dollars was the price paid. At 2:30 p. m. John B. Johnson, special master in chancery in the celebrated receivership case, quietly and without any more flourish than if he were about to sell a town lot, offered the property to the highest bidder. "What am I offered?" the auctioneer said. "I offer sixty million dollars," said Edward King in a low voice. "Do I hear any more bids?" cried Judge Johnson. "Once, twice, the last call. The property is sold to Edward King, Charles C. Beaman and Victor Morawetz."

General Harrison Ignores Rumors.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 11.—A reporter called at General Harrison's residence to ask him as to the truth of the report connecting his name with that of Mrs. Dimmick. Private Secretary Tibbott said the general could not be disturbed. "He will not answer your questions," said Mr. Tibbott, "nor express himself in any way on the subject. His name has been connected in like manner during the last year or so with those of half a dozen different women. He would not say anything in any way in answer to those rumors, and he will not say anything now in answer to this one."

Mary Thurman's Rich Strike.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 10.—The report is verified that Mary Thurman, the discarded daughter of ex-senator Thurman, the "old Roman," has made the richest gold strike known in any of the desert camps for years. Mary Thurman has been three times married and twice divorced, her first husband being Lieutenant Cowles, now United States naval attaché in London. At the time of her first marriage she was a resident of Washington. Her last husband was "Big" Holliday, the bar.

Duelist Released.

CITY OF NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—And Romero, the famous duelist, who killed Verastegui and was sentenced to prison, has been released under the operations of the duelist amnesty law.

CAMERON TO RETIRE.

The Pennsylvania Senator Has No Desire to Succeed Himself.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—There was general surprise in political circles when United States Senator J. Donald Cameron made the public announcement that under no circumstances would he be a candidate for re-election to the senate. His term expires in time for him to come before the legislature to be elected in November of next year. He made the announcement in a letter addressed to State Senator McCarrill, of Harrisburg, which letter has been made public.

Speaking of his letter Senator Cameron said: "My intimate friends have known this, and I make the announcement publicly at this time in order that aspirants to the office may have ample time to announce their candidacy."

FIFTY-FOURTH CONGRESS.

Senator Chandler Offers a Conditional Free Coinage Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—In the senate yesterday Senator Chandler introduced a bill favoring free coinage of silver when England, France and Germany shall enact similar legislation. Senator Gallinger introduced a resolution opposing the retirement of greenbacks.

There has been no business transacted in the house this week since the organization. The house awaits Speaker Reed's committee appointments. Today a number of bills were presented.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The feature of the senate yesterday was a speech by Senator Morgan, of Alabama, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and a member of the Paris Behring tribunal, upon a resolution offered by him last week instructing the foreign relations committee to investigate the question of the liability of the United States for the seizures of British ships in Behring sea in 1890. Mr. Morgan took the position in the last congress that the settlement of these claims by the payment of a lump sum of \$425,000, as recommended by the president, was neither wise nor proper. His resolution was unanimously adopted at the conclusion of his speech.

The Sultan Finally Yields.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 11.—The long drawn out controversy between the ambassadors of the powers and the sultan over the question of the admission of additional guard ships for the protection of the embassies was settled at 8:10 last evening by the issuance of an irade granting the necessary firmans to permit the guard ships to pass the Dardanelles. The demand was first made upon the sultan on Nov. 19, and scarcely a day has passed since then without its being renewed in a more or less peremptory manner.

Platt Men Lead in New York.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Republican primaries were held in every one of the 1,392 election districts of this city last night to elect delegates to the assembly district conventions, which are in turn to choose the members of the Republican county committee. Factional feeling between the followers of Thomas C. Platt and those of William Brookfield ran strong in many of the districts, and a heavy vote was polled. The indications point to a majority of two-thirds Platt men in the county committee.

Twenty-eight Were Drowned.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The British steamer Principia, Captain Stannard, from Shields via Dundee for New York, has been totally wrecked. Fire was discovered in the hold when 140 miles off Cape Wrath, Scotland. The steamer was headed for Faroe Islands, and when near there struck a rock and went down in forty fathoms of water. Twenty-seven of her crew and a passenger named Jackson were drowned. The sole survivor is Henry Anders, a seaman, who was rescued by a boat from the shore.

Crushed Under a Locomotive.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Three men were killed and two more were injured in a railroad wreck yesterday on the New York and New Haven railway in Harlem. The killed are: Thomas Fitzgerald, engineer, 38 years old; Frederick Maples, 40 years old, brakeman; Thomas C. McNally, 40 years old, brakeman. The engine left the track and toppled over across the west bound track. Fitzgerald and Maples were pinned down by the cab, while the body of McNally was under the boiler.

President McBride Exonerated.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—At yesterday's session of the American Federation of Labor President John McBride was exonerated of the charges that during a strike in Pennsylvania he had accepted a bribe. It became evident early in the day that any attempt on the part of the socialists to run the convention would be nipped in the bud. In fact the other delegates claim that any interference whatever on the part of the socialists will be promptly "squashed."

Seven Lake Sailors Drowned.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 10.—By the sinking of the tug Pearl B. Campbell off Huron Isle, in Lake Superior, on Saturday last, seven men, all of whom but one lived in this city, were drowned. The names of the dead are: Captain William McGilvy, master; George McCort, chief engineer; Captain John Lloyd, mate; Fred England, second engineer; Peter McCallin, cook; two firemen, names unknown.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Thursday, Dec. 5.

The date of the next Grand Army encampment, which meets at St. Paul, is from Sept. 1 to 4.

Chicago colored men have called a national convention of the race to meet at Detroit Dec. 12, 13 and 14.

John Sharp, of New Martinsville, W. Va., was found frozen to death two miles south of Huntington, W. Va.

At the opening of the German reichstag yesterday, Baron Von Buol-Berenberg was re-elected president of that body.

During a fire in six story sweat shop in New York yesterday a dozen persons were carried out unconscious by the firemen.

Friday, Dec. 6.

President Cleveland left Washington last night for a ducking trip in North Carolina waters.

Rev. William O'Connell, of Boston, has been confirmed by the pope as rector of the American college in Rome.

A reunion and parade of veterans of the north and south, who fought in the late war, will be held in New York July 4, 1896.

At Clarksville, Tex., the body of a negro woman named Julia Rogan was found in the fireplace of her cabin burned to a crisp. Her body had been covered with coal oil.

Theodore A. Havemeyer, the New York sugar king, is to be created a baron by the emperor of Austria, in recognition of his services as Austrian consul general at New York. The title is hereditary.

Saturday, Dec. 7.

The resignation of Baron von Kooller as Prussian minister of the interior has been formally accepted by Emperor William.

State Labor Commissioner W. G. Bird, of Kansas, charged with extortion in office, was acquitted at Topeka after a trial of two days.

White mountain Apaches were caught killing settlers' cattle fifteen miles west of Fort Apache, and a fight occurred. One Indian killed.

A gas well at Windom, just beyond the city limits of Buffalo, has been shot with nitro-glycerine, and the volume of gas is said to be 300,000 feet a day.

The treasury department has been advised of the withdrawal of \$2,400,000 in gold for export, leaving the true amount of the gold reserve at \$70,000,841.

Sunday, Dec. 8.

There were six fatal and eleven non-fatal accidents in the Eighth Pennsylvania anthracite district in November.

George Augustus Sala, the famous English journalist and author, died at Brighton, England, last night, aged 67.

Two masked men tried to rob the depot at Bucyrus, Kan., and shot Agent W. A. Gilman when he offered resistance.

After robbing Erie freight cars, at Cleveland, for two months, Sam Blay, Albert Austin and Del Mann were caught in the act.

On suspicion of having murdered his father, James M. Hurd, in bed, Frederick Hurd, aged 25, of Biddeford, Me., was arrested.

With a broken shaft, the long overdue steamship Strathnevis was sighted by the bark John Gamble, just arrived at Vancouver.

Upon the return of his wife from Europe, Frederick Probst, a Brooklyn stevedore, who had been living with her niece, shot himself, and is in a critical condition.

Tuesday, Dec. 10.

Secretary Hoke Smith has returned to Washington from his Georgia home.

Admiral Selfridge, United States navy, has arrived with his flagship San Francisco at Beyrout, Syria.

It is reported that Chelton, Wis., is burning, and that Green Bay has been called on for assistance.

The Paris Figaro reveals an alleged secret in President Faure's family history, which proves to have been simply that his wife's mother was abandoned by her husband two months after her marriage.

General Daniel T. Miller, of Keokuk, Ia., died at Omaha, Neb., yesterday. He was visiting his daughter. The deceased was 80 years old, and for a quarter of a century has been prominent in Iowa politics.

Wednesday, Dec. 11.

Governor Hastings has respite for sixty days James McMullin, who was to have been hanged in Pittsburgh tomorrow.

Four masked men held up I. J. Bachar in his jewelry store at Carey, O., stole \$1,000 in money and \$300 worth of jewelry, and escaped.

Near Peshigo, Wis., August Nibleon, a 25-year-old Swede, fatally shot 10-year-old Annie Bundy and then killed himself because she discarded him.

Henry Rump, of Waterbury, Conn., has inherited \$100,000 by the death of an uncle in New Orleans whom he had not heard from in twenty-three years.

Marie Barberi Will Not Die.

ALBANY, Dec. 11.—It is given out here on the best authority that Marie Barberi, who slew her faithless and worthless lover, will not be electrocuted. Governor Morton has resolved to commute the sentence of the poor creature.

The President Snowbound.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 11.—A snow storm that has interfered with the telegraph wires, and made it impossible to learn any information of the doings of President Cleveland and those on board of the light-house tender Violet.

ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 9.—Henry Matheo, aged 18, and his brother George were skating on the Lehigh river, near White Haven, yesterday, when they broke through the ice. Henry was drowned and George was rescued with much difficulty.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 7.—Governor Hastings is confined to the executive mansion with a mild case of fever. This is his third attack since his return from the Atlanta exposition. His condition is not serious, although the fever makes him weak and nervous, and prevents him from attending to his duties.

MEDIA, Pa., Dec. 5.—The number of applications for license to sell intoxicants in Delaware county, now on file in the quarter sessions court, and to be passed upon by Judge Clayton on Jan. 2, is the largest known in the history of the county. The applications altogether number 132. In this list there are about thirty new ones. Most of the new applications will be vigorously opposed by the temperance people.

MEDIA, Pa., Dec. 9.—Judge Clayton refused to grant naturalization papers to an alien who came before him visibly affected by liquor. The would be citizen answered the questions with a thick expression. "You have been drinking, have you not?" said the court, and then as the man hesitated, added: "We don't naturalize men here who are drunk. You will have to come before the court when you are sober."

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 9.—A bold daylight robbery occurred in the heart of the city on Saturday. As Cashier Crafty, of The Commercial Gazette, was making up the pay roll two men walked in. One engaged him in conversation, while the other reached around and grabbed a pile of bills. The managament say only \$150 is missing, but the police have a report that \$400 was secured. According to another report \$900 was taken.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Dec. 9.—A fatal accident occurred on Saturday in a woods near Churchtown, and Henry Bowman, an aged and highly respected resident of that village, was the victim. Mr. Bowman had gone to the woods to direct a hiring in chopping wood, and was struck by a falling tree and crushed to the earth. His body was terribly crushed and bruised. Mr. Bowman was removed to his residence, where he expired. He was 75 years of age.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Dec. 10.—M. C. Judd, the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie telegraph operator, jailed here on Friday for the murder of Henry Huff, at Mahoningtown, may yet have to answer for a second murder. Early Friday morning, before Judd had been Hurl, he had a quarrel with Benjamin Pitzer, of Mahoningtown. Pitzer had a hammer in his pocket, and during the quarrel Judd seized it and struck Pitzer a blow on the head. Pitzer is reported in a critical condition.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., Dec. 7.—Robert P. Linderman, president of the Bethlehem Iron company, received last night from Lieutenant Meigs, engineer of ordnance for the company, a cablegram stating that a very successful test of armor plate had been made at the czar's proving grounds, near St. Petersburg. The test resulted in the Russian government accepting 550 tons of Harveyized armor plate. The test proved that American armor is without doubt the best made in the world.

WEST CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 11.—Thomas Elvin, who killed his two children by cutting their throats with a razor, and who is now in the Chester county jail at this place, is fully recovered from the effects of the injuries inflicted upon himself at the time. Elvin talks freely of his crime to acquaintances who have called upon him. He says he expects to be hung, and has made arrangements with a friend to have his body interred in the same lot with his murdered children at the Phoenixville cemetery.

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 9.—David Spangler, a well known resident of Little Bohemia, eight miles from here, died in terrible agony on Saturday from lockjaw. Two weeks ago he trod on a meat hook which had been cast on the ground. The hook pierced his heavy soled shoe and penetrated the foot. A few days later the wound became terribly inflamed and he suffered intense agony. Last Thursday lockjaw resulted, his jaws became locked tightly and he was unable to take nourishment of any kind. He leaves a wife and several children.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 9.—The jury in the case of Arley H. Gilroy, indicted for the incendiary fires in this city on the morning of Oct. 30, returned a verdict of guilty on one count. The indictment charged three separate lumber yard fires. The jury was out twenty-one hours. Counsel for the defense immediately made a motion for a new trial and arrest of judgment. Judge Ikeler, sitting for Judge Metzger, remanded the prisoner to jail pending argument on a motion that the defendant be admitted to bail. This matter will be decided by Judge Metzger.

LEBANON, Pa., Dec. 10.—A remarkable case of "faith cure" occurred here yesterday, when Catharine Shroff, aged 55, utterly helpless for five years from nervous prostration, arose from her bed an apparently well woman. She stopped using medicine one year ago, and kept up a correspondence with Dr. John Alexander Dowle, the "divine healer," of Chicago. The date for the cure was yesterday. Prayers were said at her bedside and she was commanded to arise. To the surprise of all she did so, and experienced no difficulty in the use of her limbs.

The general opinion in Europe seems to be that Cuba will this time get away from Spain.

Five hundred million dollars of England's National debt has been paid off during the last twenty years.

The popularity of American shoes in Europe, and in other regions abroad, is steadily increasing. The exports so far this year show a considerable increase over last year.

The New York Mail and Express exclaims: "Every time a new peer is created in England the newspapers prominently chronicle the event. The American peerage is swelled every day by great numbers, but they appear only in the vital statistics."

Statistics from the United States Railway Service show that one passenger is killed for every 2,000,000 passengers carried, or every 44,103,228 miles traveled. One is injured for every 4,700,771 miles traveled, or one out of every 204,248 passengers carried.

Philadelphia may be a slow town, but, in the estimation of the Chicago Times-Herald, they do some things pretty well there. The city will this year receive in royalties, from street car lines, telegraph, telephone, gas and water companies, nearly \$11,000,000.

The use of ether and chloroform is practically less risky than a 1000 mile railroad journey. According to a statement in a late issue of the Medical Record Professor Guret, of Berlin, has found that in 31,803 cases of chloroform narcosis twenty-three deaths resulted, and in 15,712 cases of ether narcosis five deaths.

Potatoes are so plentiful and so unprofitable at ruling prices in North Dakota that a farmer of Grand Forks has announced that he will not dig the large quantities he has, and has invited his neighbors to help themselves and take all they care to for the trouble of digging and carrying them away. What they don't take, he says, will be left to rot in the ground.

It is said that a very remarkable illustration of the benign and wholesome influence of vegetation on climates has recently been supplied by the French in Algeria. They had planted some millions of eucalyptus trees in that colony, with the result that these have absorbed all the stagnant impurities hitherto prevailing, and had tended to purify both the earth and the air.

Once when Pasteur was dining with his daughter and her family at her home in Burgundy he took care, relates the New York World, to dip in a class of water the cherries that were served for dessert and then to wipe them carefully with his napkin before putting them in his mouth. His fastidiousness amused the people at the table, but the scientist rebuked them for their levity and discoursed at length on the dangers in microbes and animalcules. A few moments later, in a fit of abstraction, he suddenly seized the glass in which he had washed the cherries and drank the water, microbes and all, at a single draught.

The Delaware tribe of Indians in the Indian Territory numbers seven hundred and fifty-four persons. The Court of Claims at Washington has rendered a judgment in their favor, and they will in a few days receive \$220,000 in cash. Something over a year ago the Government paid them nearly \$1,000,000 in cash from trust funds belonging to them, held for many years by the Government, and the result of these payments and others which have been made to them makes each member—man, woman and child—of the tribe worth \$3000. There are one or two other Indian tribes that are even richer than the Delawares, but as compared with the white race, the Delawares are nearly five times as rich per capita as the inhabitants of the British Islands, six times as rich as the people of the United States, nine times those of Germany and twenty-six times those of Russia. Pretty good authorities say that they are capable of taking care of their property, and there is little danger that they will be cheated out of it by whites.

POLLY.

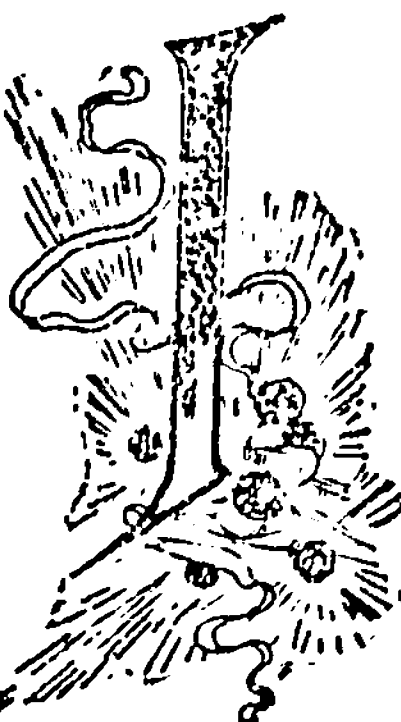
Miss Moneybags the sunrise
Hath never viewed a fur,
Nor in the dawn-enchanted skies
Beheld the morning star.
But Polly trips at five o'clock
Across the twinkling dew
To milk the cows
'Neath apple boughs,
With petals drifting through.

Miss Moneybags the ballroom
Adorns with gems agleam,
And sinks to rest with faded bloom
Of conquered hearts to dream.
But winsome Polly goes to bed
With bees and butterflies,
And softly sleeps,
And ever keeps
The dewlight in her eyes.

Miss Moneybags in satin
May dazzle half the world,
And oft the glance of Envy win,
Bediamonded and bejeweled,
But Polly in a cotton gown—
What need hath she of art,
When just to see
Her lissome glee
Hath robbed me of my heart?

—Samuel Minturn Peck, in Harper's Bazar.

MISS BELLFIELD'S WAY.



MADE up my mind to do a really awful thing when I went to the Hay-Thesiger's ball. I am the only daughter of one of the richest commoners in England. I came out two years ago, and I had not been out very long before I began to have offers.

I am not exactly a beauty, but I do know how to dress. A woman who has that knowledge and the means to use it needs no more. I am idiotically happy because I know perfectly well that in the eyes of one man I should be just as charming if the "Bellfield patent" had never "revolutionized the cycling world."

I quote an advertisement, but though we advertise, we are not vulgar. Indeed, grandpa was a younger son, and did not work for his living, preferring to drag up his family on a small allowance. Papa's tastes were different, luckily for me.

I decided at nineteen that I had no heart, and that I would accept the first really eligible parti that came along. It sounded easy. It was easy, until I went into the country to stay with a great friend of mine, married to a clergyman who was an Honorable—as well as merely reverend. I was sick of being the Miss Bellfield. I persuaded my friend to let me be a first cousin of hers, down at Cherrington-on-Tarn. She is a good, easy soul. His Reverence had gone away to a conference. I over-persuaded her, and—well, I had a lovely time as Miss Kitty Bent.

Cherrington-on-Tarn is a very quiet spot; the season there consists of two school treats and a flower show. At all three I met the one man.

He was a doctor's son at home on a holiday, and he fell in love with me directly, I thought. He is tremendously clever; they think all the world of him in his hospital. He is good-looking, I think. He did not propose to me, though there were opportunities. Jessie was absorbed with the baby, and she had no idea how often Miss Kitty Bent met Mr. Hugh Maydwell.

At first I did it for fun, but when I got back to London and Major Peile-Farquharson began to be attentive, then I knew how much happier Kitty Bent was than Saranna Bellfield. I did not give way to my feelings. I rather hated to realize I had any. House surgeons of big hospitals don't go into society.

Then Major Farquharson came on my horizon, very young to be a major at all, and very handsome. His manners to me was perfect. Luckily I found out how utterly selfish he was, otherwise, as Dr. Maydwell had apparently entirely forgotten Miss Bent. * * * Mamma is a dear, kind hearted thing, and when I announced that I intended to go to Mrs. Hay-Thesiger's with that horrid little Mrs. Ewart Vane, she let me do it. I told Major Farquharson to be there; then I told mamma he was going. It was naughty, but one day I got Mrs. Hay-Thesiger to give me a blank card for a friend of ours, and sent it to Dr. Maydwell. I wanted him to see me in my glory, and I wanted still more to see if I should like him in a ball room as much as at Cherrington-on-Tarn. I went warily to work. I wrote a short note with the invitation; said I should be there, signed it K. Bent and wrote on plain paper with no address!

Very bold and unwomanly, but what was I to do? I knew he liked Kitty; if Kitty, why not Saranna Catherine? It was his awful pride and independence I dreaded. He had told me very meaningfully that he would never ask a woman to marry him till he could give her a comfortable home. He never apparently contemplated the possibility that she might have means to supply that.

I knew by signs that the Major meant to be even more empress than usual. He was standing beside me at the ball with that devoted air he can

put on so well, when I suddenly saw Dr. Maydwell. He looked older and rather jaded; neat enough, but certainly not fashionable at all. He was very grave when he saw me. I suppose the young person in radiant golden brocade was not quite the same as Kitty in her Liberty hat. He just glanced at Major Farquharson, and was obviously going to pass on without even asking me for a dance! Then it flashed across me that he had found out, and that he was angry. He looked quite stern. I dismissed Major Farquharson unmistakably: Ten and eleven, if I am here.

Then I held out my hand to Dr. Maydwell. "Have you forgotten me altogether?" He did look stern; but it rather became him.

"I expected to meet a lady who is not here, Miss Bellfield," he began, very coldly. "This sort of thing is not much in my way, and I think I had better say good night. I could not resist the chance of meeting Miss Kitty Bent again, but as that is impossible, the sooner I get back to my work the better. It was absurd for me to come at all."

They were just beginning the Barn dance, with that irritating persistent tune. I fixed my eyes on the swaying figures, some of them so awkward. There was a lump in my throat and I really couldn't speak. The remembrance of the river at Cherrington, and the sunshine on it, came across me. He had looked so brown and so cheerful in his canoe; he was so pale and so evidently indignant now, that I could hardly get the words out. I had never been afraid of a man before. I was now. He evidently meant what he said.

"If I ask you to stay and sit out the Barn dance you will surely. I—I want to tell you something."

He acquiesced so icily that I felt all my courage vanishing. We found a little room that was empty, and sat down. I caught him looking at my roses, but he pretended he was doing nothing of the sort. It was he who began, after all, to the inappropriate accompaniment of the Barn dance music.

"So you were playing in a little comedy down at Cherrington, and the Miss Bent I knew was a purely imaginary person. Surely it must be pleasant to be the Miss Bellfield, and to have all London competing for your favor."

Major Farquharson had passed the open door and given a surprised stare at us as he said this, and I felt I hated him for such rudeness.

"I was sick of being myself; that was why I did it. People pretended to like me, and made so much of me, and I knew it was merely money, money."

"And were you successful in finding out if you were charming enough to captivate without it?" His manner was chilly sarcasm itself. A memory of all the things he had said and looked overcame me.

"You ought to know," I whispered. It was dreadful, but you see I saw now that if he once went, there would be only misery for me.

He did not even smile. "You sought to break a country heart for pastime ere you went to town," was his only rejoinder.

Quotations are not in good taste made like that. He hurt me; he misunderstood me. I have my faults, but I am not heartless. I have only done as other people do—in fact, less than most of them. I plucked up courage and tried again.

"I think, Dr. Maydwell, you were masquerading as much as I was, or else you really have become quite different; you never talked like that when we were boating on the Tarn."

"No, I made a fool of myself by talking nonsense; most people do when it doesn't rain in August."

Now, could anything be stupider? Here was Hugh Maydwell—a man who had got gold medals in physiology or pathology or something—conducting a conversation as if he had not two ideas in his head.

"At any rate you were very much more civil to Kitty Bent than you are to Saranna Bellfield, yet they are one and the same."

"Indeed, they are nothing of the sort," he broke in hotly. "The one was a simple country girl full of pure thoughts and high ideals. She was as poor as I am; we met on the same level. With Miss Bellfield, in her fashionable splendors, with her great fortune, I have nothing, can have nothing to do. Your trick was an unfair one, you took advantage of my ignorance. Only a woman would be clever enough to put on another manner, another nature, with a big hat and a pink gown."

Somehow I was cheered by his remembering the color. It was a Paris dress really, and had cost a frightful amount. For that adorable simplicity they know how to charge. I daresay he thought that if he married somebody on nothing a year she would wear frocks and hats of that pattern. All the time the dancers were in front of us and that tune kept buzzing on.

"I did not put on another nature—I couldn't if I tried. I think you are most cruel. I suppose you think I change my friends as easily as I do my clothes?"

"The way in which Miss Bellfield treats her friends can matter nothing to me."

He was hateful, and yet every min-

ute I felt I could not, could not let him go. Quite suddenly I knew that I loved him; that nothing else in the world mattered, because I knew he loved me. How did I know? Oh, I can't explain, but I did. I grew bolder.

"You cared once about being my friend, or at any rate said you did," Miss Bellfield, I think I ought to offer you my congratulations and to say good night. That idiotic Barn dance is over."

"Congratulations?" I said it with a whole string of notes of interrogation. "I mean upon your engagement to Major Peile-Farquharson." He rose as he said this, and was turning quickly away when I stopped him. He told me, afterwards, I spoke quite passionately.

"I am not engaged to Major Farquharson, or to any one else. People have no right to say such things. Down at Cherrington—"

"Down at Cherrington the village gossip might have fancied that a penniless doctor had been indiscreet enough to ask a penniless girl to wait for him for an indefinite number of years, they were just as far from the truth, probably much further."

All my security vanished. I felt wretched—so wretched that my eyes were full of tears; one even fell on the roses in my hand. He saw that tear, but he was just as obdurate, just as angry; apparently not even relieved to hear I was free, when I might have been Lady Sandellion but for him.

I didn't care what I did or what he thought. "She would have waited all her life."

How I got out those seven words I wonder still. More tears fell as I said them, and there was an awful silence. Then he began in such a different voice.

"You cannot mean what you are saying." He was standing and looking down intently. He has the best eyes I ever saw, they are so honest, but I could not face them after that deed of daring.

"I mean it with all my heart."

"You make it hard for me," he continued. "When I let Kitty guess I cared for her, I thought perhaps a time might come when I could claim the right to ask her to be a poor man's wife; you are a great heiress, and if I am poor I am proud. You force me to tell you that I love you, not to put the foolish question that has but one possible answer."

Then I revolted once for all against the tradition of what is maidenly and right. "Hugh, can't you understand, must I tell you that all my money is nothing to me and that I only want you?"

He told me later that it was too pathetic, that he had always dreaded to see a woman cry. But he kissed me, and somehow it was all perfectly right and natural.

Half an hour later, just as we were so happy, that horrid Major Farquharson came for his two dances. My partner was very gloomy. He did not respond to my liveliness and was as stiff as a poker in the dance. He took me into the conservatory in the interval and I let him say his say. He said it condescendingly. Lord Sandellion had been careful to let me realize what an honor he was doing me, but even he was nothing to Major Farquharson. I listened with a sort of satisfaction, and then refused him point blank.

I had no want of fluency in this case, but I have never seen any created being look as amazed as he did. I am no scalp-hunter, yet I absolutely revelled in the prospect of telling Hugh of this occurrence.

I glanced up at him and added, coolly: "The fact is, I am engaged already."

"That being the case, there is nothing more to be said, except that you have behaved heartlessly to me." He tried to put on a disconsolate air, but it was a dead failure. I smiled:

"You never cared for me, so I need not say I am sorry; you must have a wife who will admire you and I never did." He was very angry, but far too dignified to show it.

And I went back to Hugh.

We were married at the end of the season, and I am the happiest woman in England. I thought I would write this in case any other poor girl is burdened with a fortune as I was. I read a story once about proposals from ladies. One girl in it told her friend that "it simply wasn't done." She was wrong, you see.—Black and White.

Railroad With Wooden Rails.

One of the most remarkable railroad lines in the world is what is known as the Frostproof Line, that is now completed from Avon Park to Pabor Lake, Fla., and consists of wooden rails, fastened together with wooden strips, held by wooden pins. It is laid along the surface of the ground and ballasted with sand. Several months ago the Manufacturers' Record referred to the enterprise of what is called the Avon Park Transportation Company in building this road. It is now in operation between the points named, the cars being hauled by a steam dummy engine. It will be used principally in carrying fruit and vegetables and other products from the country along the route.—Manufacturers' Record.

An old African chief who followed Livingstone has just died. He leaves forty-five widows.

CULTURE OF CORK TREES.

AN INDUSTRY WHICH COULD FLOURISH IN THIS COUNTRY.

The Department of Agriculture Advocates Planting Cork Forests—Uses to Which the Bark is Put.

THE Department of Agriculture will issue a bulletin before long on the subject of cork, says the Washington Star. It will advocate the culture of cork trees in this country, urging that forests of this species of oak could be established with great profit in the Southern States. Statistics show that \$2,030,000 worth of cork is imported into the United States annually. It is steadily increasing in value, fetching now eleven times the price that was paid for it in 1790. The soil of California is particularly well adapted to the cork oak, which grows there with a greater rapidity than in Europe. Already about 1000 of the trees have been planted in the San Gabriel valley. The University of California has distributed several bushels of the acorns, which, by the way, are very good to eat, tasting like chestnuts.

The variety of uses to which cork is put is extraordinary. To the Algerians it is as great a necessity as the agave to the Mexican or the palm to the Arab. From it he makes boats, furniture, saddles, shoes, horseshoes and even clothing. Other employments for the material in Southern Europe are for roofing, nails, clothes, window lights, plates, tubs, drinking vessels, religious images, fences and coffins. The waste cork from the cutting of bottle stoppers is utilized for filling cushions and mattresses, and in the manufacture of cork dust bricks, which are serviceable where great dryness is required. A very fine kind of pasteboard is made from cork, the ground substance being mixed with paper pulp and pressed to squeeze out the water. Cork waste is also used for making lifeboats, buoys, linoleum, inner soles for shoes, artificial legs and arms, "cork concrete," and many other articles in which lightness and elasticity are required.

Though of modern origin, the cork industry has attained immense importance. In the last half century the production has more than doubled. About \$8,000,000 worth of prepared cork, representing 587,000 hundred-weight, was sold last year. Portugal occupies the first place as a producer, while the United States, England and Germany are the principal consumers. Spain exports vast quantities of manufactured cork for bottles. In this industry, as well as in the quality of the product, she surpasses all other countries. The world consumes annually 7,000,000,000 cut corks. The sizes and forms of these are regulated according to 150 models.

Nowadays bicycle handles, life preservers and hat linings are made of cork. The material is burned for making "Spanish black." The waste is utilized for lining ice houses, being an excellent non-conductor, and also for packing grapes. Notwithstanding all the uses for cork waste that have been mentioned, great quantities of it have to be thrown away for lack of purposes to which to apply it. Cork dust is made to serve as a substitute for rice powder in the toilet. Tons of cork are manufactured every year into nose-holders for eyeglasses. For these the very finest quality is required. The inventor of this particular use for cork has made a big fortune out of the idea. He gets a royalty on every pair of eyeglasses thus made that is sold.

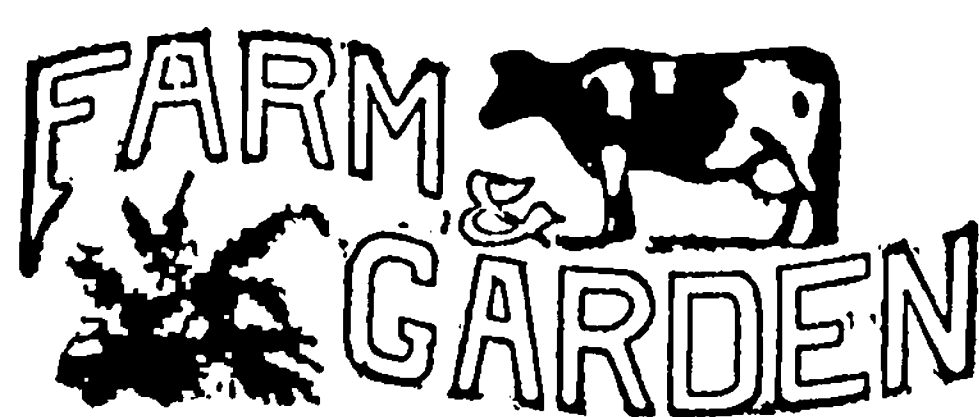
Cork trees are raised from seed usually, the large and sweet acorns producing the biggest trees and the finest cork. Small and bitter acorns produce coarse and inferior trees. The bark product of a fullgrown tree is about eighteen pounds, worth five cents a pound. The cork of commerce is not a natural product of the tree, but an abnormal development of the bark under certain treatment. Natural cork is useless for purposes of manufacture, being too coarse. Sometimes it is so woody and dense that it will not float. The wild cork or outer layer of the natural bark is removed when the tree reaches a diameter of six inches or so, leaving the interior denser and softer cork layer. The latter is called "hard," or "mother cork," and from it the cork of commerce develops.

The bark is first placed in long, rectangular vessels and boiled. The boiling closes the pores, increases its elasticity, and renders it more supple and compact. Its specific weight is reduced, while its volume is almost doubled. Next the slabs are scraped to remove all the wood fibre. After this operation they go to a workman who trims them to proper shape and sorts them into grades suitable for different purposes.

A Humming Bird Plant.

In Syria, near Damascus, there is said to grow a humming bird plant, the flower of which bears a close resemblance to a humming bird. The breast is red, the wings are a dark green, the back yellow, the head and tail a bluish black.

Leather tires will in the future be employed on bicycles made for the French army.



CHURNING EACH COW'S MILK BY ITSELF.

There is considerable loss from mixing the cream from milk of different cows in churning. There is a difference in the churning qualities of milk, some cream coming to butter sooner than others. We have known some housewives to put the buttermilk back in the churn and get considerable butter by re-churning it. In this case probably some of the cows gave cream that came very quickly when churned. It is this difference in cows that makes much of the demand for separators, which will get all the butter out of any milk that is possible.—Boston Cultivator.

USES OF FEATHERS.

Many people neglect to save the feathers of their poultry, thinking them of but little value. Such persons will be surprised at the following uses to which they are put: The quills from the second and third joints of the wing of the turkey are used for making feather dusters. Large quills of both geese and turkeys are used for feather bone. Dry chicken feathers are used for cushions, and the feathers from the large Pekin and Aylesbury ducks are mixed with those of geese. Feathers are also valuable as fertilizers and will pay for the saving. Feathers for market should be clean and free from blood. Any of the commission merchants will receive them on consignment.—New York World.

HANDLING UNMANAGEABLE HORSES.

For fifty years I have helped my friends and neighbors with horses they could not drive safely, writes J. Keese, of New York. At first I used whip and biting bridle as others did, and I thought I must. Both caused much suffering, and in many cases bad habits also, while the fear of the whip made matters worse. By degrees I learned that gentleness and patience would take away the horse's desire to continue former habits, and the young ones would not learn them unless frightened or vexed. Although advanced in years I still continue to drive the wildest colts and horses, with the worst of habits, without difficulty and with success. I have bred and trained hundreds of colts without using a biting bridle.—American Agriculturist.

INOCULATION OF TREES.

Almost from the time that gardening and tree-planting became a diversion or industry there have been men dabbling in quack nostrums for accomplishing impossible results on the growth of cultivated plants. No sooner is one exposed than another is introduced, but in the main they are the same old humbugs under new names or recommended for some new purpose. Boring holes in the stems of trees and filling them with honey or molasses to make the fruit sweet was in vogue in Europe several centuries ago, at least we must suppose so from the fact that intelligent men who were writing on horticultural subjects in these days denounced the practice. Then came inoculating the stems with sulphur to kill noxious insects feeding on the wood or foliage, and this is still recommended and practised by the ignorant and victims of charlatans, who profess to sell secret remedies. We learn that there has been an "Elm Inoculating Company" doing a flourishing business in inoculating elm trees in the suburbs of this city, professing that by such an operation they can check the ravages of the elm leaf beetle. It is not at all strange that charlatans should try to sell their nostrums, but it does seem somewhat strange that they can find purchasers at this age of the world and so near this great city.—New York Sun.

A FRIEND OF AGRICULTURE.

The death of Louis Pasteur recalls how much agriculture owes to this great and most useful scientist. It was his discovery of the germ by which the silkworm was diseased, and the yeast germ, by which fermentation in beer that led to the souring of it, was caused, that really led the way to the accurate knowledge we now possess of the multitude of invisible organisms that affect both injuriously and beneficially all organized matter—the milk of the dairyman, his cheese and butter; the trees of the orchard and all manner and kinds of plants that grow, and others which cause diseases in animals. His investigations and discoveries explained the nature of these minute bodies, that were really discovered two hundred years ago, and were described by Leuwenhook and other naturalists, but whose special nature and offices were unknown until Pasteur studied them and learned their habits of life and their effects upon matter and animals upon which they exerted their most curious influences.

It was he, too, who first suggested the methods of rendering these active and everywhere prevailing bodies innocuous by the action of heat, and the term by which this action is now known, viz.: "Pasteurizing," is so ex-

cellently adapted for its use that it should be kept for this purpose, and its equivalent, sterilizing, dispensed with. Pasteurizing not only indicates the methods by which sterilization is accomplished, but it connects with the process the name of its inventor, and recalls to the mind—and will do so as long as our language survives—his eminent services to his race. Surely this man may justly be termed a help bearer to the world.—New York Times.

TESTING AND PRESERVING EGGS.

A way to tell bad eggs is to put them in a pail of water, and if good they lie on their side; if bad they will stand on their small ends, the large ends always uppermost unless they have been shaken considerably, when they will stand either end up. Therefore, a bad egg can be told by the way it rests in the water, always end up, never on its side. An egg that lies flat is good to eat and can be depended on.

How to keep eggs is a problem that has attracted the attention of inquirers from the earliest times.

They all agree that the most practicable method is to envelop the new-laid egg in a coating of some impermeable substance, such as wax, tallow, oil, or a mixture of wax and olive oil, or of olive oil and tallow. Codet de Vaux suggested the plunging of eggs for twenty seconds into boiling water, in order to coagulate that portion of the albumen nearest the shell, and to pack them in vessels half-filled with sifted cinders. This process, which, by-the-by, has been well known in some parts of Scotland for many years, yields excellent results; but if neglected for but a second or two the eggs are liable to harden.

For home consumption the French peasantry have for ages preserved their eggs in a very simple fashion. They have a wooden case, or a large barrel, and pack the eggs in thick layers of sawdust, fine sand, chalk, bran, cinders, or coal dust so that they do not touch each other. In the maritime provinces the peasants use larger layers of ashes moistened with soft water. Both of these processes are successful.

Another system recommended is found to answer extremely well. The eggs are placed for an hour in a solution of fifty grammes of salicylic acid and a little spirits of wine diluted with a quart of water, and afterward packed away in bran in the cellar. At the end of three months they were found in perfect condition and as well flavored as if just fresh laid.—Southern Farmer.

STRAW AND FEED.

In many sections of the country feed will be very valuable the coming winter, and the man who has a good lot of oat straw, and even wheat straw, and carefully saved, has the bulk of the material which, if fed understandingly, will prove a small mine of wealth to him. Straw is deficient in feeding quality, principally in albuminous matter and fats. The thing to do is to feed some food with it so as to restore the "harmony," and to do this, if some sort of succulent food is fed as roots or silage, and, in addition, if 200 pounds of oil meal is fed with each ton of straw, a very well-balanced ration is secured, and one on which the cattle will do very well if they are not compelled to expend the greater part of their feed in protection from the cold. The feeding of straw and other light foods as the bulky part of the ration calls for the best of housing, if the full measure of the food value of the ration is to be obtained. This is why straw is not regarded as a satisfactory part food for the winter milker, but where this cow has succulent food in some form and grain strong in proteins, and has little exposure to the weather of winter, it is found that there is no objection to moderate quantities of straw being used. It is the abuse of it that has given straw an unfavorable reputation. Men use it as full feed with which to economize, and not properly combining it with proteins, failure results, and the conclusion is at once formed that "it is a pretty good thing on which to starve a herd." Too much straw with a full ration of proteins is apt to aggravate this matter of bad effect, but if a daily addition of roots or a small feed of silage is given it acts as a laxative, and nature has a natural way, and then even dairy cows may be fed a limited amount of bright straw with commendable economy. Balance the ration in some way and save the straw to feed and do not use it as bedding only. It has a feed value.—Practical Farmer.

FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Where other fruits flourish usually grapes will grow.

The cherry tree is less trouble than any other. Plant out and let alone.

Undersized fruit of any kind is undesirable either for market or home use.

It is of no advantage to set out fruit trees unless good care is given them.

The larger the number of fruit the larger proportion of seeds to the pulp.

One of the principal advantages with small fruits is that they furnish a supply of fruits before tree fruits will come into bearing.

SELECT SIFTINGS.

The magnolia tree is named in honor of the French Professor, Magnol.

Gutta-percha is the milky sap of the *Ironandra gutta* trees of the East Indies.

A Sutter County (California) man has a "cat ranch," upon which he annually raises thousands of Maltese pussies for the fur market.

The oldest Michiganander is Mrs. Nancy Sullivan, 112, of Arcadia; her face is a mass of wrinkles. Some centenarians do not look their age.

Six of the newspapers now published in Germany were established over 200 years ago, the oldest being the Frankfurter Journal established in 1615.

Louis Humphrey, of Osage County, Missouri, is just a plain farmer, but he pays a tax of \$1900 on his personality, and it takes fifty men to do his harvesting.

While attempting to save the life of a young doe, Henry Nelson, the keeper of the Forest Park "zoo," at St. Louis, Mo., was gored to death by an infuriated elk.

Mrs. Ellen Talley, who died recently in Ellsworth, Minn., at 104, and Mrs. Mercer, 100, who is still living in Elom, Ind., are good examples of mid-Western centenarians.

Booths are to be erected in the squares of Copenhagen containing telephones, conveniences for writing and an office for receiving letters, besides newspaper and boot black stands.

One of the most splendid of the New York City hotels has several glass doors in its main lobby, which are so clean that in order to prevent unobscured or short-sighted persons walking into them they have the word "glass" on a card in the center of each panel.

The cliff where more seabirds are said to build their nests than any other place in the world is on the coast of Norway. It is 1000 feet high, and goes by the name of Svoerholkluben. Kittiwakes have built their nests of bent and seaweed for ages in innumerable quantities.

The Katydid Orchestra.

An article in a recent number of Science on the katydid orchestra is extremely interesting. The writer states that this is one instance in nature of concerted and continued efforts of harmony. The katydids keep time, and are the only members of the insect kingdom that do this on any extended scale. He says: "So soon as the sun has set and twilight is advancing, the katydids in the trees begin to 'tune up.' The first notes are scattered, awkward and without rhythm; but, if no wind is blowing, thousands soon join in, and from that time until daylight breaks there is no intermission. It is marvelous that the organs can withstand this continual rubbing for eight hours. By choosing out an insect close by and listening to it alone, I have convinced myself that the same insect keeps at it at least for hours at a time. These raspings are seldom three at a time, as the popular name would imply, but are the result of usually four or five, sometimes six, distinct but closely joined movements." When a large number of katydids are engaged in this musical exercise, there are those with louder tones who seem to occupy the position as leaders, or first violinists. They hold the time measure often in spite of the wind, which usually stops the performance of the more timid, and soon draw out the lost notes of the others once more in regular measure or beat.

The Biter Bitten.

A man in rustic attire shambled along the streets of Berlin, carrying in his hand a package which was sealed and addressed, and with an inscription in the corner to the effect that it contained \$100 in notes. A passerby, who was struck with the sheepish look of the man, asked him what he was looking for. By way of reply the countryman held the packet under his nose and asked him to read the address, as he had forgotten it, and was unable to read himself. In a tone of pleasurable surprise the other replied: "By Jove, the parcel is for me! I have been expecting it for ever so long."

The messenger appeared satisfied at having accomplished his mission, and added that he wanted half a crown for his trouble, which was paid on the spot. The new owner of the parcel at once retired to a dark corner to examine his treasure. He found nothing but a couple of sheets of printed paper, and in the middle a white label with the single word, "Sold!"

Cream of Human Kindness.

A man with a painful expression of countenance sat on a dry goods box: "Are you ill?" some one asked. "No." "Have you lost anything?" "Never had any thing to lose." "What's the matter then?" "I'm sitting on a wasp." "Why don't you get up?" "Well, that was my first impulse, but I got to thinkin' that I was hurtin' the wasp as badly as he was hurtin' me and concluded to sit here a while."—Spare Moments.

RAM'S HORN BLASTS.

Warning Notes Calling the Wicked to Repentance.



FAULTLESS people have few friends. The bearer of good news always has a sweet voice. One of the best helps to ward heaven is a good mother. Wherever God's will is law, nothing but purity can exist.

We have all blamed Adam for falling, but God never has.

Many a supposed giant has turned out to be only a shadow.

Everything good lost in this world will be found in heaven.

Love never has to be watched to see that it does honest work.

Let flowers bloom all the year round, and the bees will quit work.

The greater the house built on the sand, the greater will be the loss.

Do right yourself, and you will help some other man to behave himself.

The poorest people in the world are those who try to keep all they get.

The devil fears no man's profession when it is higher than his practice.

Make home like heaven, and you will make the children want to go there.

The man whose heart is set on things perishable loses all when they perish.

When our hearts refuse to pray as Christ teaches, he is no longer our Lord.

As soon as we begin to have peace with God, we begin to have war with self.

The better a man is pleased with himself, the better the devil is pleased with him.

Every trial God permits us to have is to teach us something new about Christ.

Prove that there is no devil, and every man in the world will be your friend.

As long as love has a drop of blood left, it has something it is willing to give up.

The devil will get a hard blow in the face, on the day woman is given the ballot.

If some people would think twice before they speak, they would keep still most of the time.

There would be more revivals, if more of the preaching were done to the sinners in the church.

Many a woman who screams at sight of a mouse can look at a surgeon's knife and set her teeth.

The man who undertakes to get a living by his wits would have a more regular supply of bread if he would depend more on his muscle.

"Thy will be done in earth" means nothing in the church on Sunday, unless it means the same thing in the store and shop on Monday.

God wants to hear about whatever occupies our time and thought, not that he may be informed, but that we may keep in communion with him.

Presence of Mind.

What is it to have presence of mind? Why, to have your wits about you when they are most needed.

A boy was passing an examination in one of the public schools last week and, although not very successful, the teacher remarked: "That boy has a good mind. I couldn't confuse him."

In boy parlance, he didn't get "rattled." He had presence of mind.

A few days ago, in attempting to swing off a moving cable train, a boy lost his hold and fell between two tracks. Luckily he landed clear of the track of his own car, but both legs stretched across the track opposite, on which a car was rapidly approaching. No time for him to rise, and to attempt it between two moving trains was extremely dangerous. What did the boy do? He had presence of mind, and, shifting his legs from off the track, straightened his body out and lay still, while the two trains whizzed by him, each within a few feet of the other.

In one of the big department stores, not long ago, a small "cash" girl had her hand imprisoned by the heavy lid of a box closing unexpectedly. Under the fright and pain the young girl fainted.

"Get some water, quick!" commanded the floorwalker to one of the clerks. And she ran quickly and—turned out the electric lights!

That was the want of presence of mind.

Increase of Freight Cars.

According to the Railroad Gazette, the railroad companies have ordered 25,000 freight cars this year, at a cost of \$10,000,000.

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CENTRAL HOTEL, Gettysburg, Second door from Court House. Having purchased, remodeled and refitted the above well known Central Hotel, I take pleasure in asking you to call and make a trial. Special rates to jurors and those attending court. Satisfaction guaranteed, as I am confident that you will again patronize me after giving me a trial. Table supplied with all the market affords. Respectfully, JAMES O. McCAVITT, Proprietor.

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GRAIN AND PRODUCE

Z. S. CUSHMAN, At the Brick Warehouse, HANOVER ST. NEW OXFORD, PA., will buy and sell all kinds of

Wheat, Hay, Straw, Rye, Corn, Oats, Potatoes, Bran, Middlings, Chop, &c., Also

The Best Brands of Flour, Coarse and Fine Salt, etc.

Sellers and buyers will find it to their advantage to give him a call. Free delivery to any part of the borough.

Car leaves New Oxford every Thursday afternoon for Baltimore. Returning leaves Hiltien Station every Friday at 4 o'clock p. m. All orders left with him will receive prompt attention.

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Barber - Shop,

For a Clean Shave and a Good Hair Cut. Razors Honed and Concoated at the Lowest Price.

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FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 13, 1895.

PUBLIC SALES.

If you intend having sale next Spring fix the date and send it to us for publication. We publish notices free of charge for those who desire us to print the bills or advertise the sale. Fix your date so as not to conflict with your neighbors'. Our paper goes into every neighborhood in the county, and our bills the most attractive, and our prices the very lowest.

A Peculiar Case.

On Thursday a peculiar case occupied the attention of the court at Chambersburg, on the oath of one Ezra Miller. Charles F. Whitmore, of Rouzerville, a small village between Waynesboro and Edgemont, just over the Pennsylvania line, was charged with bigamy. The circumstances of the case are even more strange, though not quite so pathetic as the story of Enoch Arden. In 1890 Whitmore married Ellen Rowe, of Rouzerville, and immediately went to housekeeping. Three months afterward the wife deserted her husband and took up her abode under her parental roof.

Whitmore went to Illinois, where he remained for a time. He returned to Rouzerville to find his former wife remarried to Walter Hoffman and that she was the mother of a child to her second husband. Being told by his neighbors, as he says, that her marriage absolved him, he in 1893 married Jennie Schindedecker, of Rouzerville. The two families were friendly to each other and exchanged neighborly courtesies and their relations were none the less happy by reason of the first failure. Each family has two children and it was shown to the court that the heads of the two houses were on most amicable terms as they went gunning together frequently while their families gossiped pleasantly over their back fence.

Judge Stewart was very severe in his comments on the case. He could not conceive of a community in Franklin county wherein could exist such ignorance as to the law with respect to the marriage relation as was urged in extenuation of Whitmore's crime. This relation is as sacred as the church. Destroy it and you destroy your whole social fabric. If the people of any section of the county do not know the crime they are committing in such acts as this the condition of morals must be as bad as on a slave plantation. Four people are living together in illegal relations and have been doing so for several years in the same community, and no one has lifted up his voice in condemnation of it. The constable has failed to do his duty in not reporting this horrible condition of affairs. It was his business to have returned them to court. He can return a man for selling a drink of liquor without license, but not two couples who are illegally living together and raising families.

Family of Fatality.

Lewis H. Milner, who resided near Gatchellville, York county, sent a bullet through his head Tuesday afternoon last. The weapon used was a revolver. The deed is supposed to have been committed while he was suffering from a temporary aberration of the mind. The deceased was an unmarried man, about 50 years of age.

A strange fatality seems to pursue the Milner family. He is the fourth member of it that has come to a sad end. One of his brothers was taken prisoner during the war and died in Libby prison. Another, Dr. Robert Milner, shot himself some few years ago near Chester city, and still another brother was killed in a railroad wreck in the West some two years ago.

Congressman "Stall."

Congressman Stable failed to come to the front at the organization of the House of Representatives last Monday because the retiring clerk of the House pronounced his name "Stall." The Philadelphia Record describes the scene as follows:

"Almost at the close of the seat lottery the clerk called again and again the name of 'Mr. Stall,' but got no response. He then added 'of Pennsylvania,' but with no better success. Then the speaker broke into an impressive request for 'Mr. Stall, of Pennsylvania,' to answer to his name and take a seat if he was present. Several members here suggested that perhaps it was 'Mr. Staley, of Pennsylvania,' who was wanted, whereat Congressman Stable, the new member from the York district, came forward and said if he was the man they were inquiring for he was present. That was the end."

Accidents.

Last Thursday an accident happened to Nelson Lott, son of W. H. Lott, of Straban township, from which he is now in a critical condition. He was working for a neighbor, Thaddeus Rinehart, near Granite Station, and was about to help in unloading corn fodder from the wagon. He was on the wagon taking out the pin, which held down the pole, from the ladder. Some one sprung upon the pole to pull it down so that the pin might be loosened. It broke in half, one of the ends striking the young man on the forehead, and he fell to the ground. He did not appear to be much injured and started to walk home but fell in a short distance and has since been suffering from inflammation of the brain. Drs. Goldsborough and Dickson are attending the patient.

Thursday before last Mr. John McIlhenny, of Cumberland township, cut the thumb on his left hand slightly, but paid no attention to it. In a few days the hand and arm began to swell and blood poison was feared. Dr. Dickson was called and though blood poisoning had set in, the patient is much improved.

Heavy Fines for Cruelty.

On Saturday evening last Charles Rickrode, of near Hampton, and Peter W. Lease, of York Springs, two horse dealers, came to Hanover, imbibed freely of liquor, and, as alleged, cruelly whipped and otherwise abused their horse while driving out Carlisle street and the Carlisle turnpike. The abuse was witnessed by a number of citizens, on whose representations Jesse Frysinger, agent for the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, made information before Justice Barton H. Knode. A warrant for their arrest was issued by the Justice, and placed in Constable H. A. McKinney's hands, who, Monday arrested both the offenders at Mr. Holly, Cumberland county. They were taken before the Squire Monday evening, when, because of the admitted wanton cruelty, they were each fined \$20 and costs, the fines and costs for both parties aggregating \$62.50.—Hanover Daily Record.

Advertise in THE ITEM now.

Samuel Dogan, section foreman on the P. & R. railroad, had a finger mashed while putting in rails on the side track at Biglerville, on Friday.

AN EASY CURE FOR DRUNKENNESS.
Drunkenness, morphine and Tobacco habit may easily be cured by the use of Hill's Double Chloride of Gold Tablets. No effort is required of the patient and stimulants may be taken as usual until voluntarily given up. Tablets may be given in tea or coffee without the patient's knowledge. A cure guaranteed in every case. For sale by all first class druggists, or will be sent on receipt of \$1.00. For full particulars address The Ohio Chemical Works, Lima, Ohio.

A large amount of wheat was stolen recently from the farm of Adam Hunsicker, in Bethel township, Lebanon county. When Hunsicker examined his granery, he found a pocket book containing \$20 in money and a check drawn in favor of a wealthy neighbor for \$22, which had been dropped. Hunsicker says he will prosecute.

ONE WAY TO BE HAPPY is at all times to attend to the comforts of your family. Should any one of them catch a slight cold or cough, prepare yourself and call at once on E. C. Livingston sole agent and get a trial bottle of Otto's Cure the great German Remedy, Free. We give it away to prove that we have a sure cure for coughs, colds, asthma, consumption, and all diseases of the throat and lungs. Large sizes 50c. 6ud 25c.

For Lung Troubles

"Seven years ago, my wife had a severe lung trouble, which physicians called consumption. The cough was distressing and attended with spitting of blood. As doctors did not help her she tried

AYER'S Cherry Pectoral

and was surprised at the relief it gave. One bottle of this medicine cured her, and she has not the least doubt but Ayer's Cherry Pectoral saved her life."—K. MORRIS, Memphis, Tenn.

Medal and Diploma At World's Fair.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY

which the people of Hanover and vicinity are offered now by

ISAAC HERZ.

In addition to the already greatly reduced prices to which I offered at far less than cost I concluded to make a further reduction of 12½ per cent. on all Suits and Overcoats, Hats and Caps, in order to sell out and retire from business as soon as possible. I therefore announce the following Reduced Prices, which explain themselves:—

Men's suits, Overcoats and Storm Overcoats.

Former price \$14 25,	Reduced price \$9.25,	Further reduced price \$8.10
" 11 50,	" 7.12,	" 7 23
" 9.37,	" 5.75,	" 5.03
" 7.50,	" 4.00,	" 3 68
" 6.00,	" 3.25,	" 2 99
" 4.87,	" 2 62,	" 2 41

Boys' Overcoats and Long Pants Suits.

Former price \$10 50,	Reduced price \$6.75,	Further reduced to \$5 91
" 8 50,	" 5 37,	" 4 70
" 7.75,	" 4 50,	" 3 94
" 6.87,	" 3.25,	" 2 85

Children's Suits. Children's Suits.

Former price \$6 00,	Reduced to \$3 75,	Further reduced to \$3 28
" 5 00,	" 2 87,	" 2 51
" 4.75,	" 2.00,	" 1 84
" 3 00,	" 1 62,	" 1 42

HATS. HATS.

Former price \$2 50,	Reduced to \$1 75,	Further reduced to \$3 28
" 2 25,	" 1.50,	" 1 32
" 2 00,	" 1.25,	" 1 10
" 1.50,	" .95,	" .83
" 1 25,	" .75,	" .66
" .85,	" .50,	" .44

Heavy and light weight Caps for men and boys, we will sell at half their former price and the 25 cent kind at 10 cents.

Men's Pants—Good, strong, well made, cannot rip, lined through, former price \$1.25 and \$1.40. Your choice now at 89 cents, and \$1 kind at 75 cents. Unlined Pants, what is left, if you can find your size, the 85 and 75 cent kind, we sell at 50 cents.

OVERALLS—We sell the 40 cent kind at 25 cents, all sizes. We sell the 50 cent kind, with apron, at 30 cents.

Men's Overshirts—36 inches long, with yoke, former price 25 and 30 cents, now 18 cents. The \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 kind, you can have your choice at 75 cents, strictly all wool.

Boys' all wool Overshirts, former price \$1, now 50 cents.

LINEN COLLARS AND CUFFS.

The Best 20 cent Collars, all styles, we close out at 10 cents each.

The Best 30 cent Cuffs, we close out at 15 cents each.

Other brands of linen Collars and Cuffs still cheaper.

Celluloid Collars, all styles, we sell now at 5 cents.

Celluloid Cuffs we sell now at 10 cents.

Bear in mind that our stock is already reduced to less than half, but we still have all sizes and all kinds of goods on hand, and are able to suit the most particular people at these sacrificing prices.

ISAAC HERZ,
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An Iowa man wants a divorce from his wife on the ground that she refuses to support him. These are glimmering signs of a new man.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.—The Best Salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction of money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. W. Dicks

FROM SIRE TO SON—As a family medicine Bacon's Celery Klug for the nerves passes from sire to son as a legacy. If you have kidney, liver or blood disorders do not delay, but get a free sample package of this remedy at once. If you have indigestion, constipation, headache, rheumatism, etc., this grand specific will cure you. B. C. Livingston, the sole agent is distributed samples free to the afflicted. Large packages 50c. and 25c.

LEHMEYER & BRO., YORK. ESTABLISHED 1847.

Stylish Gentlemen



are finding it profitable to buy their garments ready made, more and more so every year, because Ready-made Clothing isn't what it used to be. Now it gets just as much care and attention as custom made Clothes. The best cloth is used, the best cutters are employed and the best tailors put it together. Of course an exact fit in the first place isn't always possible, but a slight alteration makes a fit perfect. Even a merchant tailor has to make alterations. And then we can save you money on all your Clothes. Suppose you try us next time you want Clothes.

Our Hats and Gents' Furnishing Goods are, like our Clothing, always the correct thing.

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"The Old AND Reliable,"

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N. B.—We carry the largest stock of Clothing east of Philadelphia.

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INTERESTING NEWS

from the Cloak Department.

You have seen and admired the jaunty jackets in rough and cold smooth fabrics. Perhaps you have thought that it takes a goodly sum to own one of these fetching garments. If so you made a mistake—if you come to us for them. We have several hundred left—of the most fashionable ones. The price has been cut, because of some lines being broken, so they don't cost as much as they did a short time ago. Some Fur Capes Left—the weather has been too warm for them to go briskly with the maker. Down goes the price. **STYLISH, RICH, CHEAP,** tells the story.

Store crowded with Suitable Goods for Gift Purposes.

THE LEADERS,

G. W. WEAVER & SON,
GETTYSBURG, PA.

Rubber Goods

This year they are higher. This, however, is not the case with us, as we have knocked the props from under the regular prices, and will sell as follows:—

Men's Boston Rubber Boots,	regular price \$3.00,	our price \$2.70
Boys' Candee Rubber Boots,	regular price \$2.50,	our price \$2.25
Youth's Candee Rubber Boots,	regular price \$1.80,	our price \$1.62
Misses' Candee Rubber Boots,	regular price \$1.50,	our price \$1.35
Child's Candee Rubber Boots,	regular price \$1.35,	our price \$1.22
Men's Candee Self Acting Overshoes,	regular price \$0.75,	our price \$0.68
" Baron Overshoes,	regular price 0.80,	our price 0.72
" Capital Overshoes,	regular price 0.80,	our price 0.72
" Heavy Overshoes,	regular price 0.90,	our price 0.81
" Victor Overshoes,	regular price 1.10,	our price 1.00
" Buckle Arctic Overshoes,	regular price 1.50,	our price 1.35
Woman's " Heavy Overshoes,	regular price 50c.,	our price 45c.
Woman's " croquets Overshoes,	regular price 45c.,	our price 41c.
Ladies' " Dewdrop Overshoes,	regular price 50c.,	our price 45c.
Ladies' " Storm Overshoes,	regular price 55c.,	our price 50c.
Misses' " Spring Heel Overshoes,	regular price 35c.,	our price 32c.
Child's " Spring Heel Overshoes,	regular price 30c.,	our price 28c.
Men's Rhode Island Overshoes,	55c.	Men's Rhode Island buckle Arctics, \$1.25
Ladies' " " 38c.		Ladies' Rhode Island Gum Boots, \$1.50
Men's com. overshoes,	50c.	Woman's com. overshoes, 35c.
Men's Candee Perfection Overs,	for Felt Boots, \$1.62.	

EMMERT & BRO.

FOR SALE—A good Lightning Rod and a first class Block and Tackle, and 200 feet of Rope, good as new. Will be sold cheap.

Apply to E. C. LIVINGSTON.

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A full line of New Fruits,

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OFFICE in Sunday's Hall, second floor, adjoining the Eagle Hotel, Centre Square.

FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 13, 1895.

TOWN AND COUNTRY.

W. H. Lawver has been appointed postmaster at Biglerville.

Nathaniel Baker, of Reading twp., lost a fine cow by death recently.

If you want to be secure of your sale date, better hand it in at once and have it advertised.

B. F. Sanders, of Fairfield, killed two hogs 17 months old that weighed 550 and 517 lbs.

Frank Dunn has sold five acres of land near Sugartown, to Isaac Slay, bought at \$35 per acre.

Rev. W. A. Carver closed his series of meetings in the M. E. church, here on last Wednesday evening.

Last week thieves stole from the premises of Mrs. Amanda Hollinger, of Hamilton twp., seventeen turkeys.

Some unknown party recently visited Henry Musselman's barn, near Fairfield, and took five bushels of clover seed.

Jno. Knouse, of Biglerville, had his foot badly mashed by being caught with a log, while at work for Kalbach and Livingood.

Paul, the 10 year old son of Henry Myers, of LeFevre's station, had his left hand badly smashed by getting it into a sausage grinder.

While working at the planing mill of Bucher & Bro., at Littlestown, H. Crownover, had the end of one of his fingers smashed off on Friday.

The Gettysburg Town Council has given J. Emory Bair an option for thirty days on \$6,500 3½ per cent. borough bonds at 90 cents on the dollar.

Eli Eckenrode, of Union township, recently purchased of Mrs. Pius Hemler, her small farm in Germany twp., containing 25 acres and improvements for \$1250.

As a climax to the new Reformed church which is nearing completion at Abbottstown, a movement is on foot with good chances of success, to have a clock placed in its tower.

Josephus Mills, of Barlow, has received an original pension, at \$6 per month with \$96 back pay.

A pension of \$8 a month with arrearages from October 5, 1892, has been granted to Francis Keffer, of McSherrystown.

FOR SALE OR RENT.—Dwelling house and cigar factory on Water street, in this borough. Apply to JOHN F. MILLER, New Oxford, Po.

The water supply in the county is still very low "Never failing" springs are failing now; and if the ground should now be frozen for the winter, the farmers would experience great inconvenience.

It is often a mystery how a cold has been "caught." The fact is, however, that when the blood is poor and the system depressed, one becomes peculiarly liable to diseases. When the appetite or strength fails, Ayer's Sarsaparilla should be taken without delay.

Recently, while Abram Rife, of Cashtown, was driving a young horse home from Gettysburg, the animal became frightened and ran to the side of the pike, wrecking the buggy and tearing the harness all off except the collar and bridle.

Why Is This Best?—Pan-Tina.
1—It cures coughs and colds.
2—Strengthens weak lungs.
3—Relieves and cures asthma.
4—Insures you against La Grippe.
5—Takes Croup of its terrors.
6—Cures when all else fails. 25 and 50 cents. Trial bottles of Pan-Tina free at Dicks' drug store.

Will Make a Christmas Trip.

Mr. Z. H. Cashman wishes us to state that his cars will make a Christmas trip to Baltimore, leaving New Oxford on Saturday, Dec. 21. Those who have shipments to make or those wishing anything from the city should remember this. His cars will also make the regular weekly trip on Thursday of that week.

On last Monday night thieves took from the roost of Squire M. B. Blausser, of near Bermudian, 24 chickens of the Buff-Leighorn variety, which the Squire with considerable trouble and expense had reared. At the time of the theft Mrs. B. was lying a corpse in the house.

Ayer's Pills, being composed of the essential virtues of the best vegetable aperients, without any of the woody or fibrous material whatever, is the reason why they are so much more effective and valuable than any other cathartics. The best family physic.

Harry Kuhn, on the Jacob Slagle farm, in Oxford twp., will sell at public sale, his large stock of horses, cattle, farm implements, &c., on March 3rd. Frank Flesman, of Oxford twp., will have public sale March 10. Henry Wagner, on the Harbolt farm in Reading twp., on March 21st, will sell all his stock and implements.

On Sunday morning as Mr. P. L. Houck, the milkman, was turning from East Middle street into Liberty street the king pin broke and the wagon was pitched on end. All the windows of the wagon were broken and the milk was spilled. The horse ran until he reached the next customer's house, where he stopped. Mr. Houck escaped without injury.—Star.

Mrs. Blausser, wife of M. B. Blausser, the well known justice of the peace, of Reading township, died of apoplexy on the night of Nov. 30th. She was aged 77 years, 7 months and 7 days.

Mrs. Louisa Wetzel, widow of R. Wetzel, died at the home of her son Albert, near Kindig's Mill, on the 2d inst. of the infirmities of old age and leaves 8 children, to mourn her loss. Mrs. Tony Sherman, and Mrs. John Luckenbill, of near Abbottstown are two of them.

SIMPLE QUESTIONS SIMPLY ANSWERED.—Why do people very often allow a cold to run on? Because they think it will wear away. Why does the cough that at first caused no alarm become deep seated and chronic? Because the proper remedy was not used. The way to break up any cough or cold, no matter if other medicines failed to benefit you, is to try Pan-Tina, the great remedy for coughs and colds and consumption. 25 and 50 cents at Dicks' drug store.

A Buchanan Valley correspondent says: Mr. Wm. Reary had quite an adventure with a deer last week. He shot and wounded a large buck when it turned upon him and, not having time to reload his gun, he was obliged to climb a tree for protection from the infuriated animal. The buck stood at the foot of the tree for quite a long time, when it walked away and laid down. Mr. Reary descended, re-loaded his gun and shot him where he lay. Fortunately for Mr. Reary he had a revolver in his pocket and shot ten times from the two, having shot out an eye of the deer.

ELECTRIC BITTERS.—Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed, when languid exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the seed of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters 50c. and \$1 per bottle at Dicks' drug store.

Swindlers Successful

Saturday morning two men, one tall, dark mustached and wearing a light suit, dark overcoat and cape; the other, a smaller man, with a smooth, red face and dressed in a dark suit, walked into Christian Gebhart's hotel, and J. J. Staub's store, at Bonneville, and simultaneously presented \$10 bills, asking to have them changed. While counting out the change, a \$5 bill was snatched from off the counter by each stranger, who then disappeared. They drove to McSherrystown and tried the same game there, but change was refused them. They went to Hanover, and their whereabouts after that are unknown. Staub and Gebhart had Squire Lilly of McSherrystown, issue a warrant, and Officer John L. Dougherty was put on their track, but thus far the two men have kept out of his way.

For Holiday Gifts.

We have a full and complete line of Christmas goods now on display in our rooms on Philadelphia street, and would be pleased to receive a call from all who have an idea of making a substantial gift to a loved one. We cannot enumerate all, and will content ourselves by calling attention to our line of the latest Rockers, Foot Rests, Lounges, Couches, Hat Racks, Ladies Desks, Book Cases, &c. These goods cannot be appreciated unless seen, therefore call in early.

Respectfully
A. S. FEISER.

PERSONAL.

Mr. A. E. Buckminster, who has been spending some weeks with his family in this place, has again returned to Baltimore.

Mrs. W. D. Emmert, after a visit of a few weeks in Baltimore, has returned to her home in this place.

Mrs. G. A. Klingel visited friends at Littlestown.

The Eagle Hotel tenorial parlor was closed on Monday, Mr. H. L. Kehn, the proprietor, having accepted a position with Fred. Fhorn at Gettysburg, on advantageous terms. During his business career in this place Mr. Kehn made many friends, who regret his departure.

Mr. and Mrs. Noub Sell and son, of Sell's Station, spent Sunday with Mr. Henry Rinehart and family near town. Jere W. Diehl, of Gettysburg, has been re-elected Superintendent of the Gettysburg and Petersburg (Littlestown) turnpike company.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Services in St. Paul's Reformed church next Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time a Missionary service will be held commemorative of our new Missionary, Rev. C. Noss, sailing for Japan. Sunday school at 9 a. m.; C. E. Society at 6 p. m.; singing practice Saturday evening at 7 o'clock; catechetical class Saturday at 2 p. m.

REV. P. E. HEIMER, Pastor.

There will be two Masses in the Catholic church Sunday morning—Low Mass at 8 o'clock and High Mass at 10:30.

REV. P. P. HEMLER, Pastor.

There will be preaching next Sunday evening in St. Paul's Lutheran church at 7 o'clock; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 p. m.; Junior C. E. at 2 p. m.; Sunday school at 9 a. m.; catechetical class meeting on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

REV. F. HESSE, Pastor.

Forty Hours Devotion

The Forty Hours Devotion in the Catholic church closed by a High Mass of Reposition on Tuesday morning. The Devotion was well attended, most especially the evening services. On Sunday evening Rev. J. C. Foin, of Hanover, preached the sermon, and the sermon on Monday evening was preached by Rev. Henry Crist, of Gettysburg. Both sermons were forceful and well delivered discourses. Father Foin appeared here several times heretofore, but this was Father Crist's first sermon in this place, and he created a very favorable impression upon the people of the immaculate Conception congregation. The priests present were Revs. J. C. Foin, Henry Crist, T. O'Leary, T. J. Crotty, and Leo Brand.

Foot Mashed.

On Tuesday Kuhlbach & Livingood moved their portable steam saw mill from near Hunterstown, where they had been sawing out lumber for some time. The "fitting" went through this place, and consisted of several large wagon loads of machinery, besides their large engine. Prior to their starting from near Hunterstown a very painful accident happened to Mr. Frank Eckert, a resident of the vicinity. It seems that Mr. Eckert was standing upon the "lazy board" of one of the wagons, arranging something upon the wagon, when the horses started suddenly throwing him under the hind wheel. The wagon passed over one of his feet, scraping the flesh from the bone.

Suit for Services.

Mary A. Deardorff has brought an action of assumpsit against John A. Deardorff and George Deardorff, administrators of the estate of Samuel Deardorff. The suit is for \$3,500 for services rendered as nurse in sickness, servant and for money paid and expended. She began work for him on May 30th, 1873, and continued until October 20th, 1895. The allegation is that he promised her as much as she deserved for her services and that he promised on October 25, 1895, to pay her \$3,500. She is a sister of the decedent.—Star.

MARVELOUS RESULTS.—By a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Mondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. Whilst I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at Dicks' drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.

COURT ITEMS.

All the accounts advertised were confirmed.

Order of sale of the real estate of John Felty, directed to William Felty, was awarded; bond \$1,000 approved by the Court.

Inventories and appraisements of property retained by Margaret Hesson, widow of Elijah Hesson, late of Littlestown; by Mary King, widow of Daniel King, late of Franklin township, and by Celia M. Clunk, widow of George V. Clunk, late of McSherrystown were approved.

Martin A. Grove and George D. Grove, executors of Elizabeth Grove, were discharged.

Real estate bond of David Thomas, executor of the will of Barbara Leech in the sum of \$400 was approved.

In the matter of the rule on Levi Wehler, executor of the will of John Mummert, the executor was directed to keep alive a judgment confessed by himself individually in favor of himself as executor and that within 15 days from the service of the notice to give additional security in the sum of \$1,000, otherwise to be dismissed from said trust and to pay over to his successor all and every the money, estate and effects in his hands.

Order of the sale of real estate of Mary J. Butt was continued.

COMMON PLEAS.

In the matter of the rule of Donald P. McPherson on the Board of Examiners for final examination for admittance to the Bar, the Court filed an opinion discharging the rule, costs be paid by the petitioners.

The account of Anthony Deardorff, assignee of William A. Trostle was confirmed, and Hon. William McClean was appointed auditor to distribute balance.

The account of D. W. Harbold, assignee of George C. Lerew, was confirmed.

The account of Edward J. Kuhn, committee of John Dolan was confirmed, and J. B. McPherson, Esq., was appointed auditor.

Petition of M. B. Blausser, assignee of C. H. Peters and wife for sale of real estate was confirmed.

On motion of J. L. Hill, Esq., James G. Glessner, of York, was admitted to the bar for the trial of the case then being heard.

In the matter of Andrew Keffer, for the Health Board of McSherrystown vs. John Culp, the decision of the Justice of the Peace giving damages was reversed.

Through a technical error the divorce proceedings of Mattie H. Huber vs. Samuel Huber were dismissed.

The bond of Frederick Rhodes, Committee of Harriet Cool, in the sum of \$200 was filed and approved.

Report of Wm. Arch. McClean, Esq., auditor to make distribution of balance in hands of C. S. Duncan, Esq., assignee of R. K. Ness and wife was confirmed nisi.

Judgment for \$399.75 was awarded plaintiff in Agnes Ginter vs. William Walker, now Agnes Walker executrix.

D. H. Melhorn and Annie Donohue, administrators of the estate of D. G. Donohue deceased, who was administrator c. t. a. of Mary Graft, dec'd, were ordered to pay shares of Adesa Graft, Mary E. Graft and Nannie Graft into Court and upon so doing the estate of D. G. Donohue is discharged.

Bond of Denton M. Fissell, guardian of James A. G. Slaybaugh, in the sum of \$500, was filed.

In the matter of the bill of costs in the case of the Com. vs. Harry J. Brady and Hugh C. Hinkle, exceptions were dismissed and costs ordered to be paid as taxed.

TRANSACTIONS LAST WEEK.

John J. Reindollar was appointed guardian of Lewis H. Ruth S., Frank F. and Margaret L. Elliott, dec'd, upon giving bond in the sum of \$200 in each case with sureties to be approved by the Court.

Order of the sale of real estate of Geo. Ehrehart, deceased, was awarded and directed to Susannah Ehrehart, executrix, upon the payment of costs due the sheriff which have accrued on an execution.—Compiler.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For a good Overcoat go to Strock.

Call and see our stock of LADIES COATS. Prices from \$1 up

At Strock's.

WEAVER, the leading jeweler of Gettysburg, Pa., carries the largest line and offers the lowest prices.

Special Bargains in Blankets and Comforts, at Strock's.

Emmert & Bro. are making a drive in rubber goods. See their advertisement.

Buy your wife a Piano or an Organ for an Xmas gift. Low prices at G. E. SPANGLER'S, Gettysburg, Pa.

Our entire stock of Shoes were bought before the raise in leather and are selling at old prices.

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Buy your Christmas goods from WEAVER, the jeweler, Gettysburg, Pa.

Latest Style Stiff and Soft Hats at Strock's.

Men's Suits from \$3 50 to the best, at Strock's.

Buy your Xmas Presents from WEAVER, the jeweler, Gettysburg, Pa.

The greatest stock of Holiday Goods in town is to be found at E. C. Livingston's. Prices as usual, the very lowest.

We have a special bargain in a Black Cheviot Suit. Don't fail see it at Strock's.

Isaac Herz announces another big bargain in the price of clothing. He is determined to get rid of his stock if low prices will have any effect, as he says he desires to quit business as soon as possible. See ad. on 4th page.

A Heavy Loss.

About 4:30 Sunday morning the family of Peter Kready at Ortabona were awakened and his building occupied by his store, warehouse, post-office, express office and telegraph office in flames. The fire had made such headway that nothing could be done. The loss is a total one and amounts to about \$5,000. The insurance is \$3,200, \$2,000 in the Mummasburg Company and \$1,200 in the Liberty and Independent. Of the total amount \$1,200 are on the building and \$2,000 on the stock. Mr. Kready thinks the fire originated in the room over the store, and puts no belief in the report that the store was robbed and then set on fire. The loss is a total one, everything being consumed except the contents of the safe. These were uninjured, except some stamps which the heat caused to stick together. This is the second warehouse, store and postoffice destroyed by fire in the same township within a few months.

Santa in Town on a Bicycle.

Old Santa Claus is in town on the latest and most up to date conveyance—a bicycle, dressed in his well-known garb, with a well filled pack on his back. He is attracting considerable attention among the children, who almost go wild over the old fellow, and the question now asked most frequently among the children is: "Have you seen old Santa?" Older persons too stop to look at the good old man, and admire the ingenuity displayed in this makeup by Emmert & Bro., in whose large front window "Old Santa" will hold daily levees from now until the Holidays.

From Granite Hill.

John Fleigie has moved with his family to York, where he will work at carpentering.—Levi Byers moved on the Miller farm.—I. G. Herman has moved on the Lease farm, recently vacated by John Forry.

J. H. Duttera and wife spent part of last week among friends near Silver Run.

E. E. Rinehart and wife spent last Tuesday at Philip Beamer's.

Mrs. W. J. Beamer visited Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, near Hampton, on Friday.

Mrs. Samuel Weigle was the guest of Harry McDannel and wife, one day last week.

Mrs. Elja Herman and daughter spent a few days visiting friends at the mountains.

Mrs. John Boyer and sister spent Saturday night at Ephraim Miller's, and Sunday at D. S. Coleman's.

Mr. Wm. Stallsmith spent Thursday night with J. W. Harman and wife.

Miss Cora Fickes is suffering from a severe attack of quinsy.

Master Willie Beamer is carry his hand in a sling, owing to a felon on his finger.

TWO VALUABLE FRIENDS.—1. A physician cannot be always had. Rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains, bruises and burns occur often and sometimes when least expected. Keep handy the friend of many households and the destroyer of all pain, the famous Red Flag Oil. 25 cents.

2. Many a precious life could be saved that is being racked to death with that terrible cough. Secure a good night's rest by investing 25 cents for a bottle of Pan-Tina the great remedy for coughs, colds and consumption. Bottles of Pan-Tina at Dicks' drug store.

THE MARKETS.

NEW OXFORD.—By Z. H. Cashman
Choice Wheat.....\$0.03
No. 2 ".....02
Rye ".....45
Raked ".....38 @ 40
Corn.....35 @ 38
Oats.....23 @ 25
Clover seed, per lb.....5 @ 6
Timothy seed.....1.50 @ 2.00
Timothy hay.....9.00 @ 10.00
Rye straw.....6.50 @ 7.00

MARRIED.

Dec. 4, at Fairplay, by Rev. Chas. Reinewald, Oliver J. Sheely to Miss Emma O. Wetzel, both of Freedom tp.
Nov. 28, in Latimore township, by the Rev. Reese, Edward Habley, of New York city, to Miss Clara J. Howe.
Nov. 24, at Hanover, by Rev. I. C. Kohler, Mr. Wm. S. Troe of Hanover, to Miss Annie K. Low, of Midway.
Nov. 28, by Rev. D. T. Koser, at Arendtsville, Mr. Charles Rife to Miss Jennie M. Wisler, both of Franklin tp.
Dec. 5, in Hanover, by Rev. C. M. Stock, Mr. William S. Wiest, son of Mrs. Sarah Wiest, of this place, to Miss Hattie L. Kohler, both of Hanover.

DIED.

Deaths free—tributes, voices, &c., 5 cents a line.

Dec. 7th, in McSherrystown, Cleopha, daughter of Vincent P. Little and wife, aged 13 years, 10 months and 17 days.

Nov. 29, in Fairfield, Mr. James Wills, aged 70 years, 8 months and 17 days.

MADAGASCAR.

CUSTOMS AND QUALITIES OF ITS INHABITANTS.

The People of the Big Island are Enlightened and Kind-Living is Cheap—Woman's Position.

AN unprejudiced study of the people of Madagascar will show that they have many superior qualities and have made great progress in a short time. They have not enjoyed the influences of civilization around them as have the Japanese nor have there been any efforts worth mentioning to develop the resources of the country. In fact many parts of the great island continent have yet to be explored. That part already explored has convinced the best authorities that Madagascar, in addition to being the third largest island in the world, takes first rank for the variety and magnitude of its resources.

None of the native officials receive any compensation for services rendered to their Government. Their sole reward is rank and honor, which is based on military precedence and conferred by the number of "honors." The first "honor" corresponds to the rank of a private soldier, and is the lowest; the highest is fifteen honors or "dimyambonfoly Vonitra," corresponding to the rank of Field Marshal. One of the greatest ambitions of a Hova is to have his honors increased.

The officers of the Government and nobility are not devoid of income by any means. In fact, some of them in that respect would not trade places with a United States Senator who gets \$5000 a year. Every man and woman of rank and title is the proprietor of a vast estate and many slaves and cat-

sources to pay the indemnity due to France as a result of the last war. Their one source of revenue of any importance is the customs duties, and in order to insure or guarantee the payment of the indemnity these duties are, and have been for several years, under the control of the French.

The Malagasy are fortunate in having at the helm of State a wise and cool-headed statesman who has

clever in fine needle work. Since the establishment of the medical college and the numerous hospitals many of the women are learning to be trained nurses. This work is under the supervision of European instructors.

The increase of all the churches has been remarkable. The Malagasy are devoted to the Methodist Church, and give it generous support. At the capital the Hovas have a fine



LOVE AND MUSIC IN MADAGASCAR.

measured arms with the cleverest diplomats of his time. Admiral Gore-Jones, of the British Navy, had occasion to pay an extended visit to the Court of Imerina. In his notes on his visit he says of the Hova Premier: "He is one of the ablest men I ever met." The ablest diplomats of the French Republic can testify only too well to this, as among those whose scalp hangs at the Premier's belt is that of the renowned M. Le Myre de Villiers of Siam fame. Twice has he met defeat at the Court of Imerina.

As the Prime Minister is the husband of the Queen as well as Premier, he has every thing pretty much his own way. He owes his position and power to the fact that he is at the head of the army as its Commander-in-Chief.

Ranavalona III., the Queen of the Hovas, is a woman now in her thirty-ninth year. She has reigned wisely and successfully since 1883. Of medium height, graceful in form and carriage, rather sharp featured, complexion dark brown, hair long and straight, she is what may be justly said a fairly pretty woman. Her court is kept up in great splendor. She dresses in Parisian style, except on occasions of the National feast, called "Fandrona," when the Queen and members of the Royal family and nobility appear in their red "lamba." A lamba is similar to the Roman toga. She is proud and independent, but not vain, as some writers have it. Following her example, many of the high classes, and particularly those who are under influences of the missionaries, have adopted the Christian form of marriage, but the masses, cannot in spite of missionary efforts, be turned from their own form. According to their idea a man and a woman become one by mutual consent. And the only ceremony is a feast, to which the respective families and friends attend. A separation is seldom heard of.

It would be difficult to find more domestic happiness anywhere in the world than in Madagascar. The women are always devoted and true.

A yearly tax of twenty-five cents is levied upon every man who has a wife and should he desire to separate from her a fee of \$15 is exacted. Polygamy is no longer practiced. Women do

college erected for them by the London Missionary Society, and in connection therewith is a theological and medical department.

The Malagasy have a reputation for honesty. With the example set them by the foreigners now in their country it is hard to say how soon this will be lost.

Agriculture is the principal pursuit of the Malagasy people, but the handicrafts are by no means neglected. All the tools necessary for their work, while not elegant in finish, are made by natives and answer every purpose.

It costs very little to live in Madagascar. A good ten to twelve room house in the best part of the city can be rented for \$3 a month. Servants can be had for \$1.50 a month, and as for provisions, they cost almost nothing. Porterhouse steak is two cents a pound, chickens are three cents apiece, geese, sixteen cents; eggs, three cents a dozen; potatoes, ten cents a bushel.

The average wages paid a native teacher or pastor is from \$5 to \$10 a month, and an ordinary servant gets usually \$1.50 to \$2 per month, and his "vary" or rice, amounting to two cents' worth per day. We seldom hear of a want of food.

A stranger traveling through the land will be astonished to find himself the recipient of fowls' eggs, rice and potatoes at every village where he halts. These gifts from the natives are a token of welcome. In addition to this the best house in the village is always given up for the "vazah" or foreigner.

On the whole the Malagasy are interesting and thrifty, deserving of the sympathy of all civilized Nations in their struggle for the preservation of their fatherland and their independence.

Teaching the Bagpipes.

A Highlander, having to teach a chum in his regiment to play the bagpipes, began to instruct him in reading the music in the following way:

"You see that chap with a white, round, open face?" pointing to a semibreve between the lines; "well, he moves slowly from that line to this, while you beat one and take a long blow. Now, if you put a leg on him you make two of him, and he moves twice as fast. If you black his face he runs four times as fast as the white faced one; then, if you bend his knees or tie his legs, he will hop eight times faster than the white faced one."

"Now, when you blow the pipes, remember that the tighter those chaps' legs are tied the faster they run, and the quicker they are sure to dance."—Glasgow Herald.

Mongolian Pheasants Domesticated.

Mongolian pheasants have been successfully introduced for game purposes in various parts of Oregon and Washington in the last few years, and now an attempt is being made to propagate them for the same purpose in California. A number have been imported into Santa Clara County from Oregon, and lettuce seed is to be planted by the mountain springs to provide for them. They are protected by statute for three years.—New York Sun.

Henry Bentley, who was for many years identified with telegraphic and telephone enterprises, left nearly \$1,000,000. About twenty-five years ago he was an assistant editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer at \$15 per week.

SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL.

Over seven thousand varieties of microscopic sea shells have been enumerated by naturalists.

The perfume of the nutmeg flower is said by some naturalists to have an intoxicating effect on small birds.

The ivy-leaved lettuce opens its leaves and flowers at 8 o'clock in the morning and generally closes again by 4.

A Canadian experimenter preserves wood from the boring beetle by soaking it two or three months in a saturated solution of lime.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company will use crude petroleum from the Los Angeles oil fields as fuel for a number of their locomotives.

One legal ohm equals 1,0112 British Association units; hence, to transform resistances expressed in British Association units to legal ohms, the numerical values have to be reduced by about one-tenth per cent.

It is reported that a vein of iron ore has been discovered in Midland County, Michigan, lying from a few inches to a few feet under the surface, running for a distance of one and one-half miles before coming to the end, the vein being eighty rods in width.

In the case of musk, as it comes to the refiner, the odor is so pungent and unpleasant that those who have to examine the pods in which it comes have to wear cloths over their mouth and nose, and in some cases inhalation of the odor produces bleeding at the nose.

Behring's law says that the blood and blood serum of an individual which has been artificially rendered immune against a certain infectious disease may be transferred into another individual with the effect to render the latter also immune, no matter how susceptible this animal is to the disease in question.

Among the latest foreign rivals to cordite is "normal powder," which is manufactured in Sweden, and which, its owners say, is more reliable than cordite. They offer to bear the expense of competitive trials between this and all the best known rifle powders in Europe. They claim also that by "normal powder" remarkably even velocities and low pressures are obtained.

The cotton thread used for the filaments of incandescent lamps is parchementized before carbonization by passing it slowly through a solution of sulphuric acid two parts, water one part, and finally washing it in water until every particle of the acid is removed. The parchementized thread, after drying, is reduced to a uniform diameter by drawing it through dies, after the manner of wire drawing.

Acme of Ingratitude.

A well-known auctioneer, interviewed in London recently, tells this story:

We had the conduct of a sale of the library and effects of a gentleman well known in his day for his speculations and his varied career as their result, and the usual crowd attended the auction. The first day's sale passed without any incident, but in the second day's proceedings a remarkable incident occurred. Just before the first lot of the books was offered a gentleman walked into the room and asked the auctioneer if he could purchase the library in its entirety, so that the books should not be disturbed. There could be no objection to this as the library had been previously valued, and its price was named by the auctioneer. The would-be purchaser drew his check for the amount and the library was his—for a few minutes only, for he said, "I am unknown to the man whose books you have just sold, and I wish you to hand them back to him with my card."

The gentleman who made this generous gift was an engineer and contractor, and a member of a firm of world-wide celebrity. Some years afterward I met him on Brighton Pier, and reminded him of the circumstance. He then told me, to my astonishment, that the recipient of the books had in no way acknowledged the gift, which, to say the truth, was more remarkable than the generosity of his benefactor.—New York Mail and Express.

A Babe Born Fond of Bicycling.

A lady in Reno has a baby less than a year old which has inherited a peculiarity. The child has been very puny and appeared to be constantly craving something. One thing after another has been given to it and every means known to professional nurses was used in an endeavor to satisfy this craving.

The mother is an expert bicyclist and is very fond of riding. It was remembered that before the birth of the child she had an almost irresistible desire to take a spin on her wheel, and it was thought likely that the child had been marked in this respect.

About two weeks ago a basket arrangement was attached to a bicycle, the child put into it and given a ride of a mile or two. A change was immediately noticeable in its condition, and daily outings of this character have resulted in a complete cure of the little one's peevishness, and the child has rapidly gained strength and flesh under this treatment.—Reno (Nev.) Gazette.

THE BEST WORLD STILL.

It's a sad old world when the sun don't shine,
But there ain't no use bewailin';
There's a bright, sweet spot, where the roses twine,
An' love when the sun ain't shinin'.

An' the winds may blow,
An' the frosts may kill;
It's the best old world
In the country still!

It's a cold, cold world when the silver's gone,
But there ain't no use bewailin';
The seas run high, but the ships sail on
An' the sailors sing with the sailin'.

An' the winds may blow,
An' the lightin' kill;
It's the best old world
In the country still!

—F. L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

"I will take some of this material—but will it wear well?" "Oh! it is indestructible—unwearable—everlasting—it will wear till you pay for it!"

Sometimes when you think your neighbor is enjoying himself because he annoys you, he really annoys you because he is enjoying himself.—Puck.

Bellefield—"The Fates comet is said to be very faint." Bloomfield—"You would be faint, too, if you had traveled as far."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

"This is a hard world," murmured the young man. "Yes," replied she; "one doesn't realize how hard it is till one falls off a bicycle once or twice."—Washington Star.

"I'm wedded to art; that, alone, in my heart is the passage that always survives." "It's a pity," she sighed; "but it can't be denied, That some husbands are bad to their wives."

—Washington Star.

Blobbs—"What nonsense it is for the newspapers, in their accounts of weddings, to describe the bride being led to the altar." Slobbs—"How so?" Blobbs—"Well, most girls would find their way in the dark."—Philadelphia Record.

Mr. Slopay—"This bill is outrageous. You charge for ten visits and you attended me only five times during my illness." Dr. Slocum—"Yes; but you forget my five visits in attempting to collect my bill."—Philadelphia Record.

Brown (after visiting a sick friend) —"Poor fellow! Did you notice that he was slightly delirious?" Jones—"No; I didn't. He seemed to me to be quite rational." Brown—"Oh, no! Didn't you hear him say he knew just how he got the cold."—Puck.

The Editor's Little Boy—"Pop says there was a donation party up at your house last night; what's that?" The Minister's Little Boy—"Why, that's when folks come to your house and bring pie and cake, and eat it all up, and then go home again!"—Puck.

She—"I understand Mr. Kinks is quite literary." He—"Not that I ever heard of." She—"Why, some one told me he wrote for the magazines regularly." He—"Of course he does. He's our newswriter and supplies the trade."—Detroit Free Press.

"I'm going to give up my place at this restaurant," said a Broadway waiter, with a look of disgust on his face. "Why?" "Why? Why, because they insist on my eating mushrooms before the customers to show them they're not toadstools."—Toledo Bee.

"I have half a notion to end my existence," said the dejected youth. "I have nothing on earth to live for." "Better wait a while," said the Cammingsville sage. "After you get to be a few years older you won't want anything to live for. Just living will be considerable satisfaction."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Reuben," inquired Mr. Upjohn, sharply, "if the gate had been closed all night, as you say it was, how do you suppose that pig got into the stable yard? It could not have climbed through the fence." "I guess it must have crept through a crack, sir," answered Reuben, the coachman, with dignity.—Chicago Tribune.

Teacher—"Polly, dear, suppose I were to shoot at a tree with five birds on it and killed three, how many would be left?" Polly (aged six)—"Three, please." Teacher—"No; two would be left." Polly—"No, there wouldn't. The three shot would be left, and the other two would be fied away."—Philadelphia American.

"How is business, John?" asked Uncle Allen Sparks, as the Chinese laundryman handed him his washing. "Not velly good," answered the Chinaman. "By the way, John," mused Uncle Allen, feeling in his pocket for the change wherewith to pay the celestial, "what is your name?" "Name Chin Chin." "Drop laundrying and try the auctioneer business, John."—Chicago Tribune.

"There's no use in trying to get away from the solemn fact," said the dreamy-eyed young man. "The new woman is a most practical and unsouful creature." "What make you think so?" "I told Miss Bogleigh that she had inspired some of my best poems." "What did she say to that?" "Nothing." She wrote to my publishers for a percentage of the royalties."—Washington Star.



MADAGASCAR GIRL CARRYING WATER.

tle. Though slavery exists in Madagascar only in name, the fruits of the labor of these people bring in good returns. In addition to the service the officers are compelled to render their country, they are also expected, and sometimes forced, to contribute a portion of their income to the Government exchequer. For instance, should the Government need money with which to purchase arms for the soldiers, a special tax is levied, and each one is made to pay two cents per head for each slave owned and the same on each head of cattle. Sometimes it happens that on this basis one person will pay on slaves alone nearly \$100. The slaves are captives from rebellious tribes. They are bought and sold, but not abused.

While the women are not given a voice in the affairs of State, excepting, of course, the Queen, yet they are extremely patriotic and loyal in their support of their fatherland. When the last war with France came upon them and they had to buy arms, one woman responded to the call for money with a contribution of \$10,000. This time she had given \$15,000 for the cause. Soldiers in the army do not receive any pay beyond the amount necessary to procure their



NATIVES OF MADAGASCAR.

rations and clothing. The reason for this is simply the poverty of the Government, and that poverty is due directly to the drain upon their re-

very little housework, however, as nearly every one, even among the poorer classes, owns slaves. The Hova women are especially

Forcibly Reminded.
Did you notice what heavy dew
they had at the seashore this season?
No; but my banker did.

Between the ages of sixteen and
twenty a girl terribly overworks the
word "environment."

Brainers.
No set of men in the world more aptly il-
lustrate a certain important point than
prize fighters. The point is with regard to
the punishment they give and have to take.
Whether victors or vanquished, they come
out of a contest bruised from head to foot.
That such men should be seen with all the
blue spots cured seems marvelous, until we
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moral is, all can profit by the example. If
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it is a lesson to all subject to hurts; they will
lose no time from work if they use it.

A dry heat of 250 degrees destroys germs
of infection.

I believe Piso's Cure for Consumption saved
my boys. Life last summer. Mrs. ALLIE DOUG-
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Weak and Languid

"Our little Katherine had whooping cough,
after which she lingered along from day to
day, poor, weak, languid. She could scarcely
eat anything. Her flesh was soft and sallow.
I gave her

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and she soon began to crave something to
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guillemot, a sea bird related to the
auk, which breeds in countless thou-
sands upon the Farallone Islands? A
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developed in the gathering of these
eggs for the market by Italian and
Greek fishermen, who peril their lives
in frail fishing boats and in scaling
the rocky islets for the eggs of the
murre.

Three clusters of rocky islands of
volcanic origin, thirty miles from San
Francisco, in the Pacific Ocean, form
the Farallones, South Farallone being
the largest and the only one inhabited.
Although of surpassing interest on ac-
count of their wild picturesqueness
and the myriads of birds which there
find a summer home, the Farallones
are seldom, if ever, visited by the
tourists. They are difficult of access,
small fishing boats or an occasional
outgoing tug being the only means of
transit.

South Farallone is about a mile in
length and half a mile wide, every-
where cut up by jagged bridges, pre-
cipitous bluffs, pinnacles and rocky
points, the highest, where the light-
house is situated, being 340 feet above
the sea. The whole island may be
said to be a veritable city of the birds,
covering their eggs in dense colonies,
swimming and diving or wheeling by
thousands through the air, with shrill,
incessant cries. The bird census has
never been taken.

Besides the murre, which lays the
eggs, tufted puffins, Western gulls,
three species of cormorant, casin's
auklet, the ashley petrel and the pigeon
guillemot breed in large numbers.

The murre lays one large, pear-
shaped egg, having about twice the
capacity of a hen's egg. This is curi-
ously and beautifully marked in many
shades of red, brown and green, in
surprising variation. The eggs sell
readily at twenty cents a dozen in the
markets, and that they are considered
valuable as a food supply is evidenced
by the fact that 160,000 dozens are
consumed annually.

In spite of this enormous product
the birds seem to be almost as prolific
as ever, although near the close of the
season's collecting many "run" eggs
are found.

Two men who were left on Sugar
Loaf, an isolated rock 185 feet high,
collected 108,000 murre's eggs in one
season.

The eggers usually consist of twelve
to fifteen men, who inspect the great
rookeries early in the season to see if
the birds have begun laying. When
the time is ready to begin work a
curious but necessary performance
takes place. The whole island is gone
over and all the murre's eggs within
reach are broken or thrown into the
sea. This is to insure fresh eggs, for
the eggers maintain that an egg that
has been set upon for a day is unfit
for market. This is a time of rejoic-
ing for the sea gulls, who love to feed
upon the murre's eggs and are relent-
less pirates, robbing the poor murre
at every opportunity of the one egg
she so zealously guards.

Unlike the gull, the murre makes no
nest whatever, covering its eggs on
any bare rock that will support it.

If left undisturbed the murre
would lay but one egg each during the
season, but as they are robbed they
continue laying.

The collecting outfit of the eggger is
simple. A cotton flour sack is made
into an "egg shirt" by cutting out a
hole in the bottom for the head, and
one on each side for arm holes; a
gathering string about the mouth of
the sack permits it to be drawn tight-
ly about the waist, while a slit down
the shirt in front makes an opening
for stowing away the eggs. A little of
the coarse Farallone weed, the only
vegetation to be found on the island,
is used for a shirt lining. It is aston-
ishing how many of the large eggs can
be carried in such a shirt, eighteen to
twenty dozen being considered a
fair load for each man.

When an egg shirt is filled it is
emptied into a basket to be taken to
the landing. If overtaken by night
the egggers dump the eggs into a pile,
sometimes containing 1000 dozen, un-
til the next day. Great care is taken
to cover the baskets or heaps with old
sacking or weeds, weighted with rocks,
to prevent the rapacious gulls from
getting at the eggs. These persistent
thieves invariably hang about, and if
an egg is espied through an opening
they will tug at it until it is secured,
when the lucky bird flies away with
the booty, followed by its screeching
comrades, who soon attract a great
flight of gulls, and often in incredibly
short space of time they have taken
every egg.

The Great Arch, a wonder of the
islands forming a natural bridge where
the surf churns in from the sea be-
low, is fairly covered with murre's,
and even far down on the dizzy sides
of the chasm they find a place for

their eggs on the shelving rocks. Here,
where it would seem to be suicide to
follow them, the adventurous egggers
risk their necks to gather hundreds of
dozens of eggs.

Between the egggers and the gulls
the murre has a hard life of it. They
are clumsy birds on land, and when
huddled in a cave can be frequently
caught by the hand. The gulls not
only carry off the eggs bodily to be
broken on some rocks and eaten at
leisure, but they will feed upon the
young birds; for this reason the par-
ent murre shows constant anxiety for
their young. They never leave them
alone. As soon as they are old enough
to take to the water they are safe,
and the old birds may be seen at night
in ghostly procession, leading and
showing the little murre over the
crests to the sea. They have another
dread enemy in the hawks from the
mainland that come by scores at cer-
tain seasons to prey upon them and
their young.

The egggers themselves are half
pirates, trespassing on Uncle Sam's
islands, and the United States authori-
ties have, on a number of occasions,
forcibly removed them, only to have
them return at the first opportunity.
One year the egggers secreted them-
selves in the great Murre Cave, while
the revenue cutter Corwin hovered
about the island for hours. The men
live in caves or in tents made of old
sails and spars, and with a plentiful
supply of macaroni and sour wine
they are a contented and jolly crew.
Of course, they may have eggs in any
style, and fish are very plentiful. Be-
sides, though the island has no trees
and hardly any vegetation, it fairly
swarms with rabbits. Among them
are many silk-haired ones, said to
have been placed there by Russians
many years ago during their intrench-
ment on the mainland. —San Francis-
co-Chronicle.

WISE WORDS.

Misfortune is a great breeder of dis-
honesty.

Cupid possesses most of the virtues
and vices.

Every woman in love becomes a sort
of detective.

The course of true conscience never
did run smooth.

Riches have wings, but Poverty
can't afford them.

Hardness of heart wants softness of
heart to teach it.

The gossip habit is more injurious
than the liquor habit.

When a woman's tear hits a man
right, it flattens him out.

Real union must ever be in propor-
tion to mutual truthfulness.

Genuine simplicity of heart is a
healing and cementing principle.

Lovers pay sweethearts' compli-
ments; husbands pay wives' bills.

Talent is more valuable than gen-
ius, because a man can control it.

It is a good time to dodge when a
woman begins to talk in a high key.

The marriage ceremony is the di-
viding line between romance and
reality.

We admit the superiority of any
other person with more or less mental
reservation.

Learn to say no! and it will be of
more use to you than to be able to
read Latin.

The girl who is the close confidante
of her father makes, in nine cases out
of ten, the best kind of a wife.

It is not safe to judge a man's cour-
age by the tone of voice he employs
when he speaks to the office boy.

The fault of others is easily per-
ceived, but that of oneself is difficult
to perceive. A man winnows his
neighbor's faults like chaff, but his
own fault he hides, as a cheat hides
the false die from the gambler.

Losing Her Lakes.

Minnesota may lose its claim to the
title of the Lake State. A survey ten
years ago showed within its borders
over 7000 ponds and lakes, but that
characteristic and beautiful feature of
the landscape has changed wonderfully
since that time. A large proportion
of these lakes—at least one-third—
have dried up entirely, and in many
cases cultivated fields now occupy the
rich bottoms formerly covered by
from ten to twenty feet of water.
Nearly all the rest have greatly shrunk
in area. Only the larger lakes remain.
Like changes, but of a more marked
degree, have been observed in the Da-
kotas. There were many large lakes
in those States ten years ago, some of
them miles in extent. But nearly all
of them have now disappeared, their
ancient beds turned into fields, and
such as remain are sunk to sloughs or
pools in great wastes of reedy mud.
The causes for this falling of the
waters are the diminished rainfall of
the past decade and the more extend-
ed cultivation of the soil, which has
absorbed the moisture which would
otherwise have been drained into the
lakes. —St. Paul Pioneer-Press.

Statistics of Sole Leather.

The average walker wears away two
inches of shoe leather in a year. A
pair of boots that would "last a life-
time" would, consequently, have to be
provided with soles from eight to nine
feet thick.

WOMAN'S ENEMY.

PERITONITIS Seldom Spares Its
VICTIMS.

When It Does She Is But a Wreck—Phys-
icians Have Long Been Powerless
—The Experience of a Balti-
more Woman.

From the Herald, Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. J. P. Grove, a married lady with
grandchildren, lives 417 Pinkney Place,
Baltimore. She would easily pass for a
woman of half her age, and owes her present
state of good health and probably her life to
the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. A Herald
reporter called at the house a few days ago
and was informed that Mrs. Grove had gone
out for a walk and would soon be back. The
scribe was ushered into the parlor to await
her arrival. The room gave every evidence
of refinement and the care and attention of
a good housewife. Choice books lay around
giving proof of the intelligence of the family,
and the walls were decorated with many rare
articles of vertu and bric-a-brac from South
America, Japan, and other countries. When
Mrs. Grove was announced the reporter was
astonished to find her such a young looking
and healthy woman. She is well educated, and
is a fluent talker and interesting to listen to.
She, however, declined at first to speak of
the results she had experienced from taking
the Pink Pills as, she said, she did not like
to have her name appear in print in any way.
"However," she added, after some little hesi-
tation, "the pills did me so much good that
I might be doing wrong by not letting some
other sufferer know what they did for me."
Then she said, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are
certainly all the proprietors represent them
to be. I never had such relief from any
other medicine. A short time ago I had an
attack of peritonitis which left me in such a
prostrated and nervous condition that I de-
spaired of recovery. I could neither sleep,
eat or read with any degree of peace or sat-
isfaction, and life was absolutely a burden.
Having heard that others had been cured of
the same troubles by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills,
I secured several boxes and began to take
them. As if by magic I at once began to
improve. They cured me, and now I have
no symptoms of nervousness or of the disease
which so prostrated me. Now that's enough,"
said Mrs. Grove, in reply to another ques-
tion. She walked to the door as lightly as a
young girl and, with a pleasant good morn-
ing to the reporter, disappeared within the
portals of her happy home with a little
grandchild clinging to her skirts.
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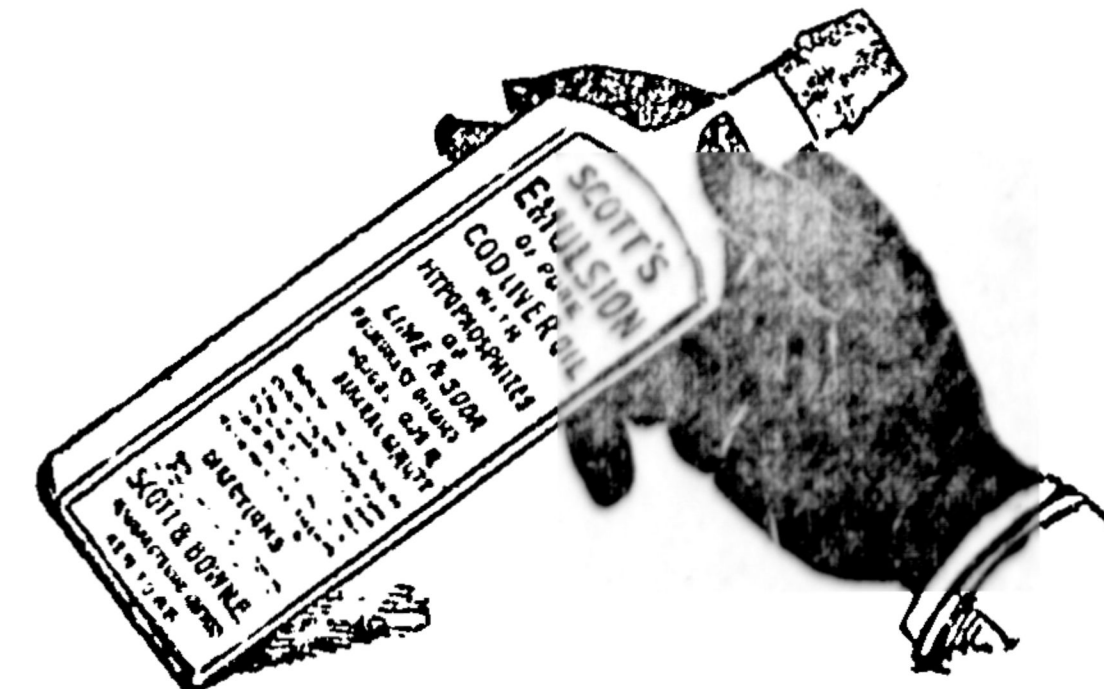
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THE ITEM

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The Revolution in Cuba.

HAVANA, Dec. 11.—According to trustworthy information just received by the correspondent of the Associated Press the insurgents have been making rapid progress through the province of Santa Clara since the defeat of Colonel Segura at Iguala. The forces commanded by Gomez, Maceo, Roloff, Sanchez, Carrillo, Guerra, Diaz and other insurgent leaders have united and are now encamped at Vajaca, about fifteen miles from Pinar del Rio, an important town on the road to Santa Clara, and a point of great strategic value in its relation to the support of Calbaron. From the fact that so many of the insurgent leaders have concentrated their forces it is believed that Gomez and Maceo have determined to risk a pitched battle with the Spanish troops. This concentration of the insurgent forces, however, is exactly what General Campos is said to have been praying for.

Boston's Democratic Mayor.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—The Republican administration which has been in control of municipal affairs for the past eleven months was overthrown at the polls yesterday, after one of the most spirited and hotly contested campaigns in the history of local politics. The Republican mayor, Hon. Edwin Upton Curtis, was defeated by 4,376 plurality, and all branches of the city government are Democratic, the Republicans losing control of the board of aldermen and school committee. Hon. Josiah Quincy, the successful Democratic mayoralty candidate, served for a time as assistant secretary of state during Mr. Cleveland's present term.

Another Family Murdered by Indians.

DEMING, N. M., Dec. 11.—Another murder of a family is reported from the San Simon valley, in Arizona, by the renegade band of Indians from the San Carlos reservation. A German family, father, mother and three children, were slain near Fort Bomer on Thursday following the killing of Merrill and daughter. The Indians were seen by some cowboys about the time of the Merrill murder, and their number is estimated at 35. Nothing can be learned of the movements of the soldiers and cowboys possess.

Exploding Boiler Kills Two.

GREENVILLE, Pa., Dec. 11.—By the explosion of a boiler in the sawmill of Ezra Post, about ten miles from here, last evening, Engineer Frank Perkins and Solomon Hastings were instantly killed and Stephen White and Curtis Johnson fatally hurt. The other workmen had just stepped from the mill, and therefore escaped.

Robinson Wants to be Senator.

CHESTER, Pa., Dec. 11.—John B. Robinson, who represents this district in congress, announces himself as a candidate to succeed Senator Cameron, who yesterday declared that he would not seek re-election at the close of his present term in 1897.

General Markets.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—Flour quiet, but steady; winter superfluous, \$2.25@2.50; do. extras, \$2.00@2.25; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$3.00@3.25; do. straight, \$2.50@3.00; western winter, clear, \$2.75@3.00. Wheat weak, with 67½c. bid and 68c. asked for December. Corn quiet, easier, with 34½c. bid and 35c. asked for December. Oats quiet, steady, with 25c. bid and 25½c. asked for December. Hay very firm; choice timothy, \$15.50. Beef steady; Pork dull. Lard weak; western steam, \$5.50. Butter firm; New York dairy, 15½c.; do. creamery, 16½c.; western, 16½c.; Eggs, 17c.; Pennsylvania and western creamery prints, fancy, 20c.; exceptional lots higher; do. choice, 17c.; do. fair to good, 14½c.; prints jobbing at 20c. Cheese dull; New York large, 74½c.; small, 74½c.; part skims, 34½c.; full skims, 20c.; Eggs steady; New York and Pennsylvania, 23c.; western, 21c.; southern, 21c. Live Stock Markets.

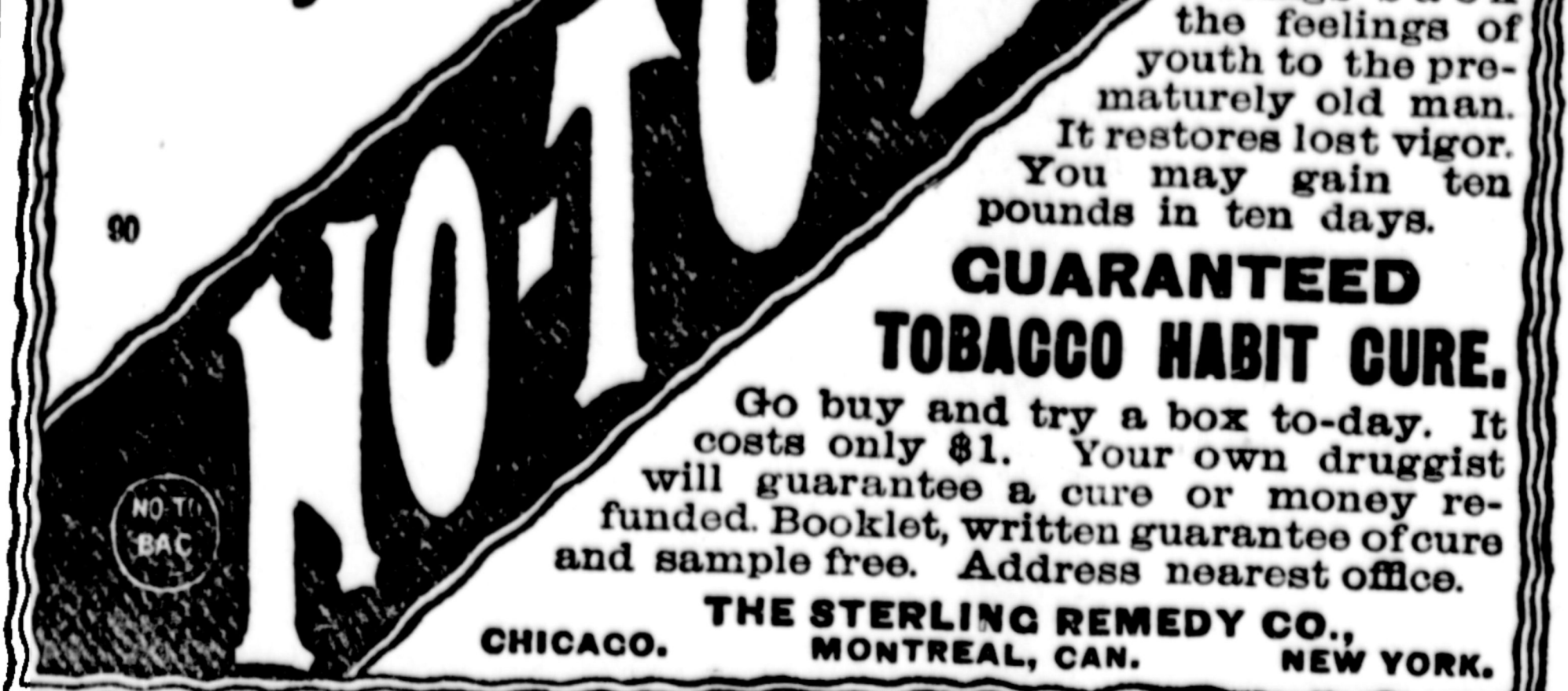
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—European cables quote American steers at 84c. dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 76c. Calves dull; poor to choice veals, \$5.00@5.25; barnyard calves, \$2.25@2.50. Sheep and lambs active and firm; poor to prime sheep, \$2.25@2.50; common to choice lambs, \$3.75@4.17½. Hogs easier at \$3.50@4.15. EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Dec. 10.—Cattle receipts liberal; prime, \$1.10@1.30; good, \$1.00@1.10; butchers, \$3.00@3.50; roughs, \$2.50@3.50; bulls, cows and steers, \$1.50@2.1. Hogs slow; medium grades, \$3.50@4.00; heavy hogs, \$3.50@3.55; common to fair Yorkers, \$3.50@3.55; roughs, \$2.25@3. Sheep slow; extra, \$2.00@3.20; good, \$2.00@2.20; fair, \$1.80@2.40; common, 60c. @ \$1.10; lambs, \$2.30@4.50. Veal calves, \$3.50@4.7.

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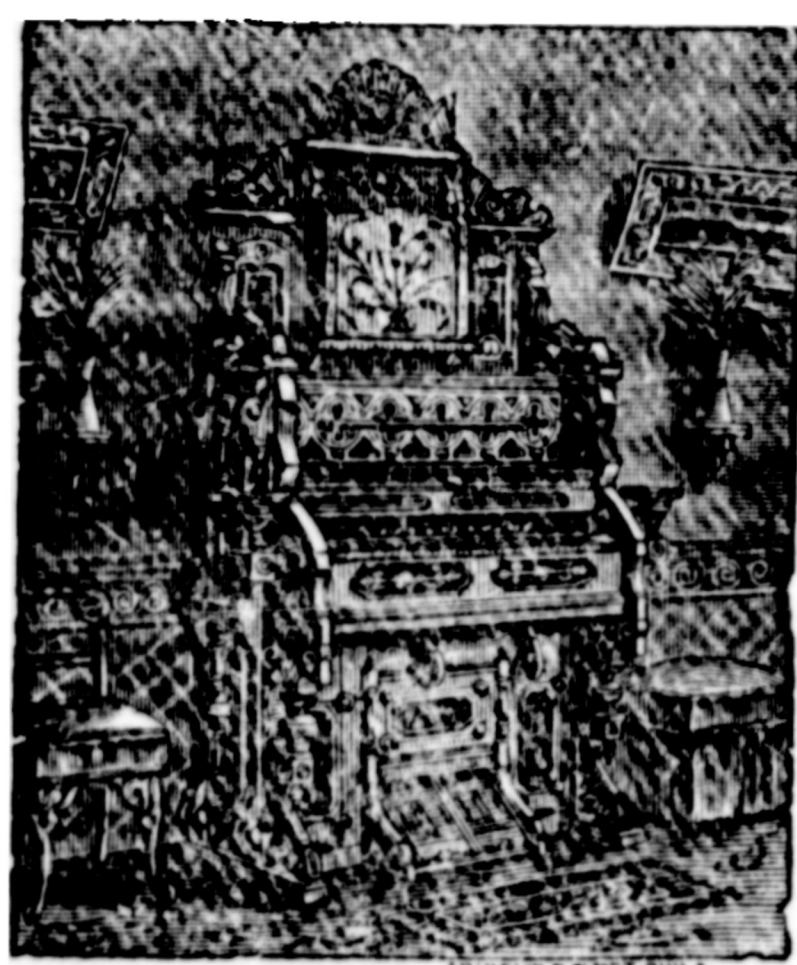
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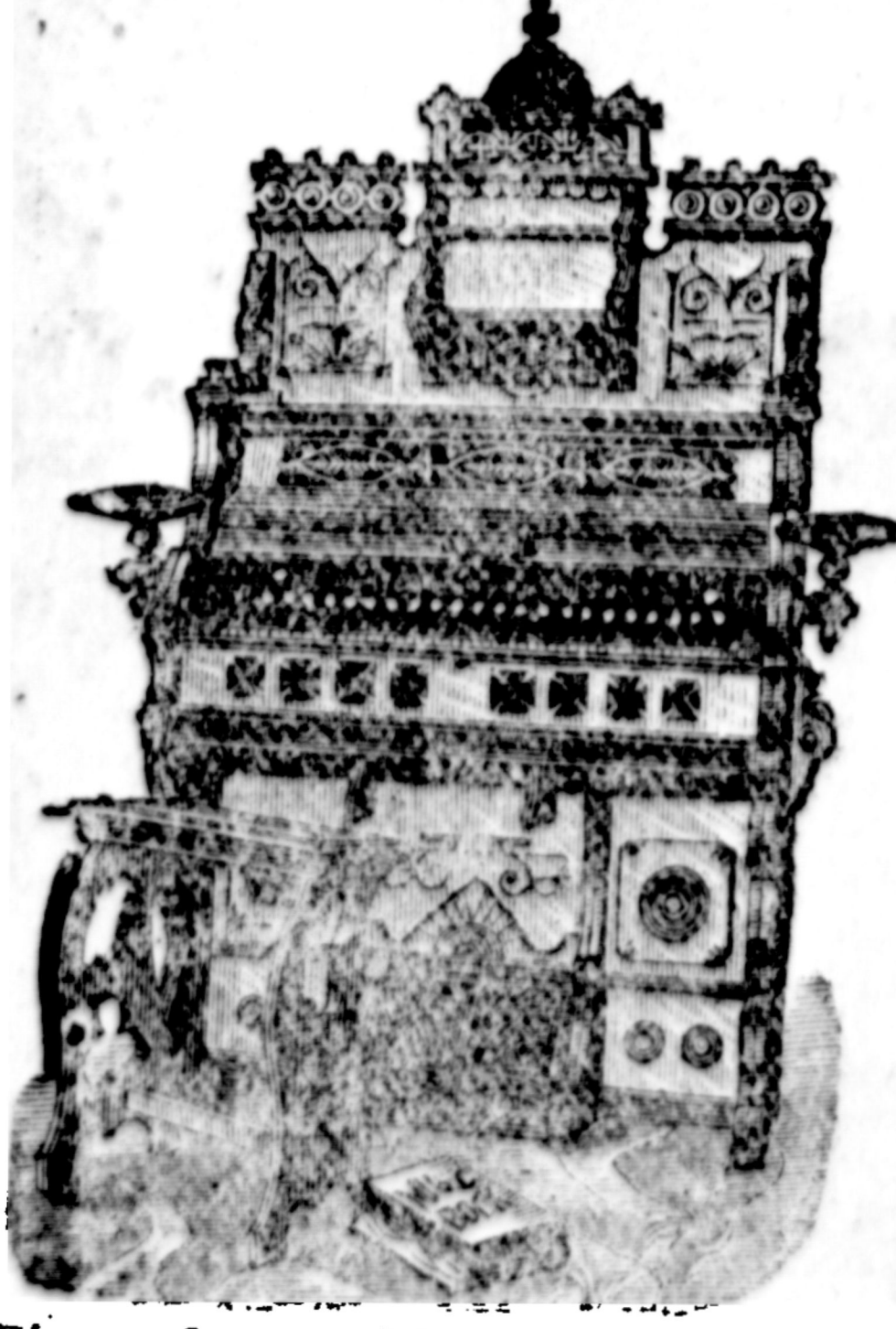
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